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登場人物紹介

☆山桜監悟
麻丘高校教諭
ソフトボール部監督兼
ボクシング部臨時コーチ

☆門松直人
条青学園3年
ボクシング部

☆秋葉習
麻丘高校2年
ボクシング部

☆中里美夏
麻丘高校2年
ソフトボール部

〈今までのお話〉

中里美夏は、麻丘高校ソフトボール部に所属している2年生。なんとなく、同級生の秋葉習とは、気が合う間柄。

ところがある日、門松直人に声をかけられたり、ソフトボール部の監督・山桜監悟にまで、気に入られてしまいます。

そこに今度は、山桜監督に恋する沢村亜矢子が現れ、監督に接近します。でも、山桜監督は、亜矢子の気持ちには気づかず、彼女の運動神経に目をつけ、ソフトボール部に入部させようとしますが…。

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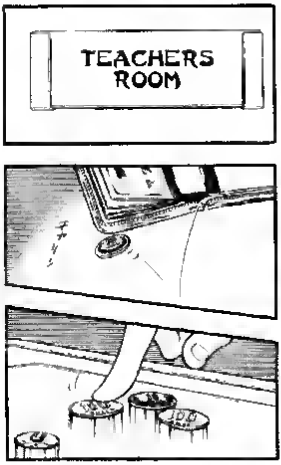
chapter 8 :

A lunch the day before pay

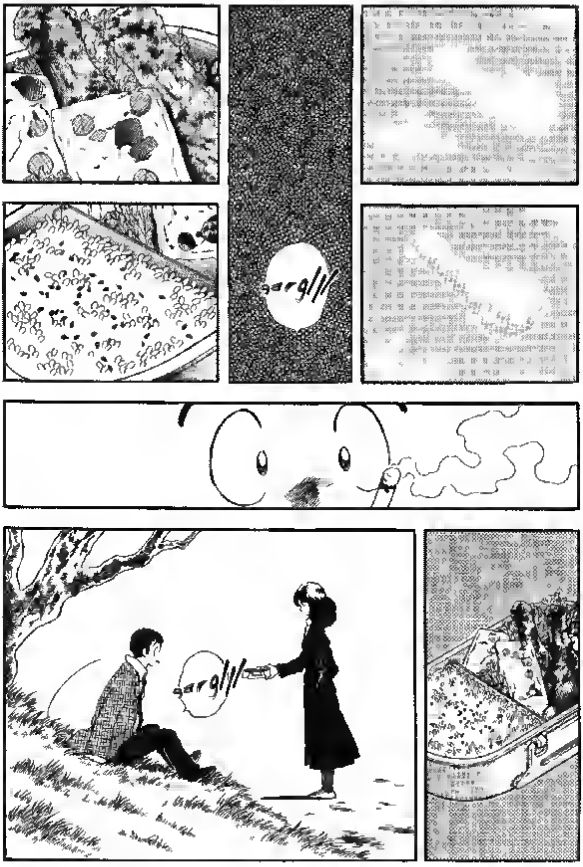
THIS IS THE STORY
OF A YOUNG GIRL
WHO DEDICATED HER
TEENAGE YEARS
TO A BALL 30 CM IN
CIRCUMFERENCE,
WEIGHING ROUGHLY
180 GRAMS, WHITE
(SPORTING THE JAS
LOGO)

HOLIDAYS


TEACHERS ROOM

SPRING

SINCE YESTERDAY I'VE BEEN HAVING DIGESTIVE TROUBLES
AH SORRY
BUT THANKS
YAMAZAKURA, WILL YOU JOIN ME FOR SOME RAMEN?
I CAN GIVE YOU SOME MEDICINE
THAT'S ANNOYING
TOMORROW, I'LL BE OK
DON'T WORRY IT HAPPENS A LOT TO ME
IF ONLY IT WAS PAYDAY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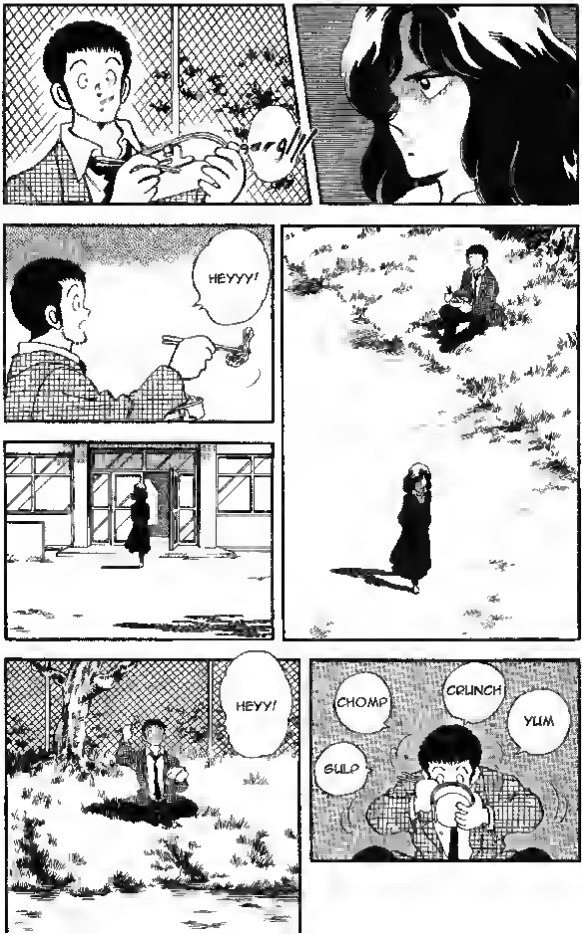
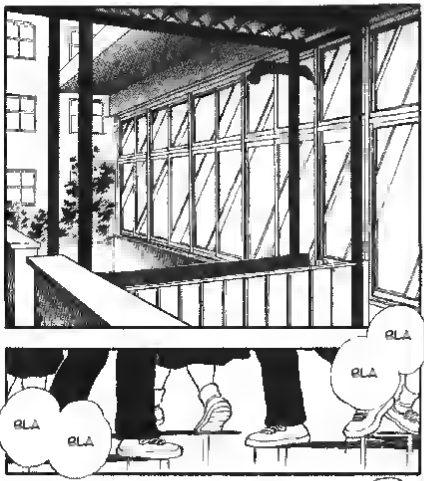
garg!!!


HEYYY!
HEYY!
CHOMP
CRUNCH
YUM
GULP



DING DONG

DING DONG

SAWAMURA
HEY!
HEY!!
OOPS
OOPS
OOPS?
HERE.
THANKS

IT WAS GOOD?
AH YES
I DON'T KNOW HOW I EARNED IT, BUT I'M GRATEFUL.
IT WAS REALLY GOOD
GOOD, I'LL MAKE YOU ANOTHER FOR TOMORROW.
HUH?
IT'S TRUE
IT WASN'T WHAT I
AH NO

I MEAN, IT WAS DELICIOUS
YOU SHOULDN'T, ERR
IT'S JUST
YOU SEE, IT WOULD BE ABUSING MY POSITION
OK THEN HOW IS THAT NOT EVERYDAY SINCE IT WOULD BE FROWNED UPON BUT JUST ON THE DAY BEFORE PAY
ERR NO
THE 24TH?
IF IT ANNOYS YOU, SAY IT!

THE 24TH THEN
ペロ
ガム

COACH!
10 MINUTES AGO
I PHONED!
THAT'S OK!
SO NAKAZATO
HEH?
SAWAMURA IS AN EXAMPLE YOU SHOULD FOLLOW SHOULDN'T YOU PREPARE SOMETHING FOR YOUR COACH, FROM TIME TO TIME?

ONCE A MONTH, THE 23RD
LETS SEE
WHY?
YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY TO DO IT
GIRLS LIKE TO BRING SOMETHING THEY PREPARED THEMSELVES TO THE MAN THEY LOVE
SO WHAT?
WHAT WHY?
YOU'RE A GIRL
YES! PERFECT YAMA-GUCHI!
IF I DON'T WANT TO COOK FOR SOMEONE, IT MEANS I DON'T LIKE HIM
SO,
TRUE ENOUGH

THAT WOULD MEAN
WAIT A MINUTE
HUUUUH
HEYY
SAWAMURA
WHAT'S THE MATTER?

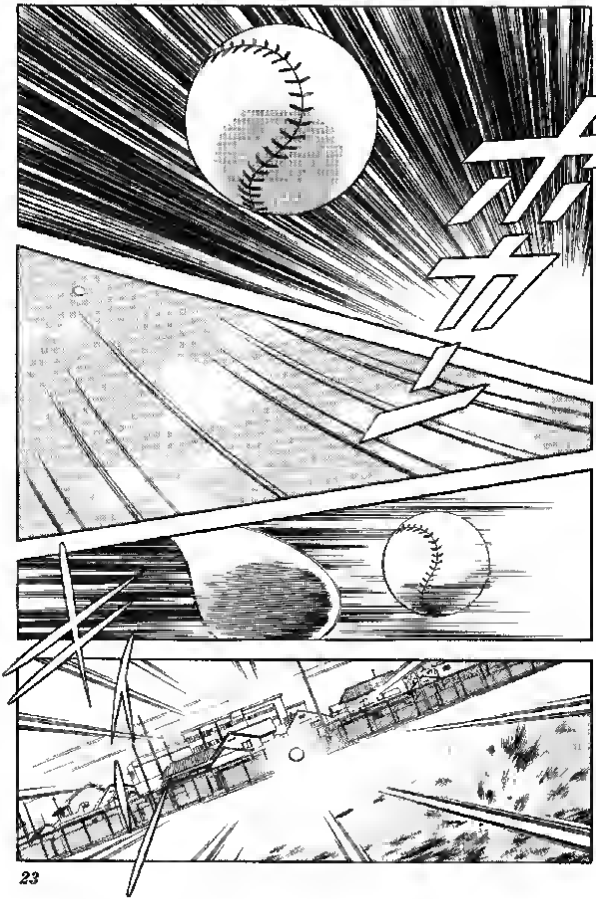
ASK HER YOURSELF
BUT WHY?
WHAT?
I WAS JUST PASSING BY
DON'T STAND THERE COME IN AND OBSERVE
YO!

AH
WELL

WHAT DO YOU THINK?
FOR A NEWBIE, IT WOULD SEEM EASIER TO THROW OVER HAND, DON'T YA THINK?
THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE BATTER AND THE PITCHER IS SHORTER THAN BASE-BALL
WITH A BIG BACKSWING, YOU'RE JUST NOT FAST ENOUGH
BUT ACTUALLY THE TRAJECTORY OF THE BALL WOULDN'T BE GOOD
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
WANT TO TRY?
NO THANKS

YES, THAT'S IT
I SEE, YOU DON'T HAVE SELF CONFIDENCE
YOU DON'T WANNA MAKE A FOOL OUT OF YOURSELF
IT WOULD BE INTERESTING
IT DOESN'T INTEREST ME
IF YOU MANAGE TO HIT A BALL THROWN BY MY BEST PITCHER,
I'LL GO ON A DATE WITH YOU
GOOD, YAMAGUCHI!
KEEP GOING!

ALL I HAVE TO DO IS HIT IT, RIGHT?
ON THE OTHER HAND, IF YOU MISS ALL THREE TIMES YOU'LL JOIN THE SOFTBALL CLUB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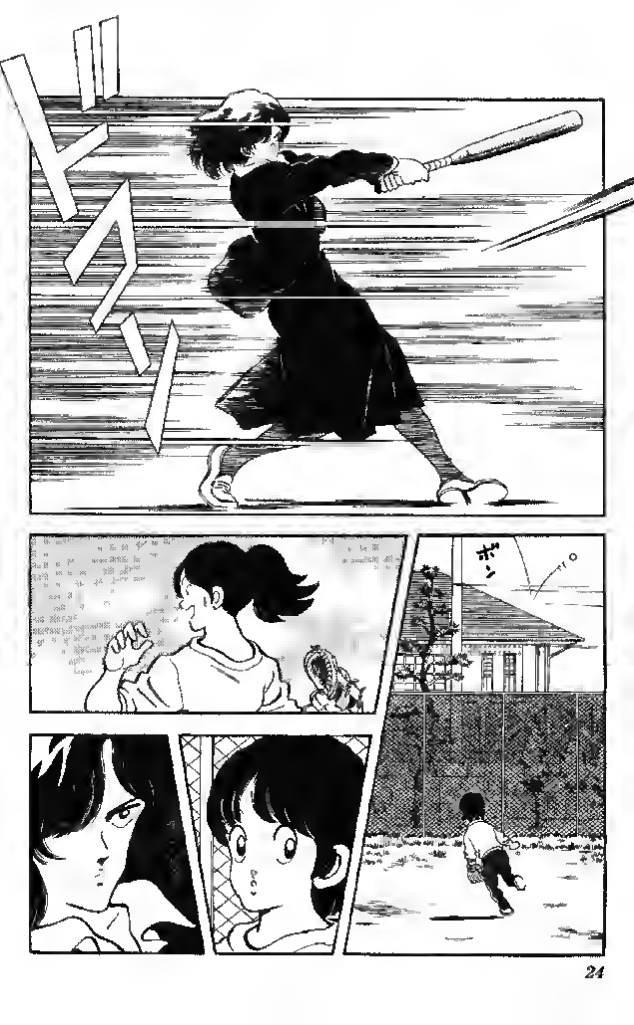
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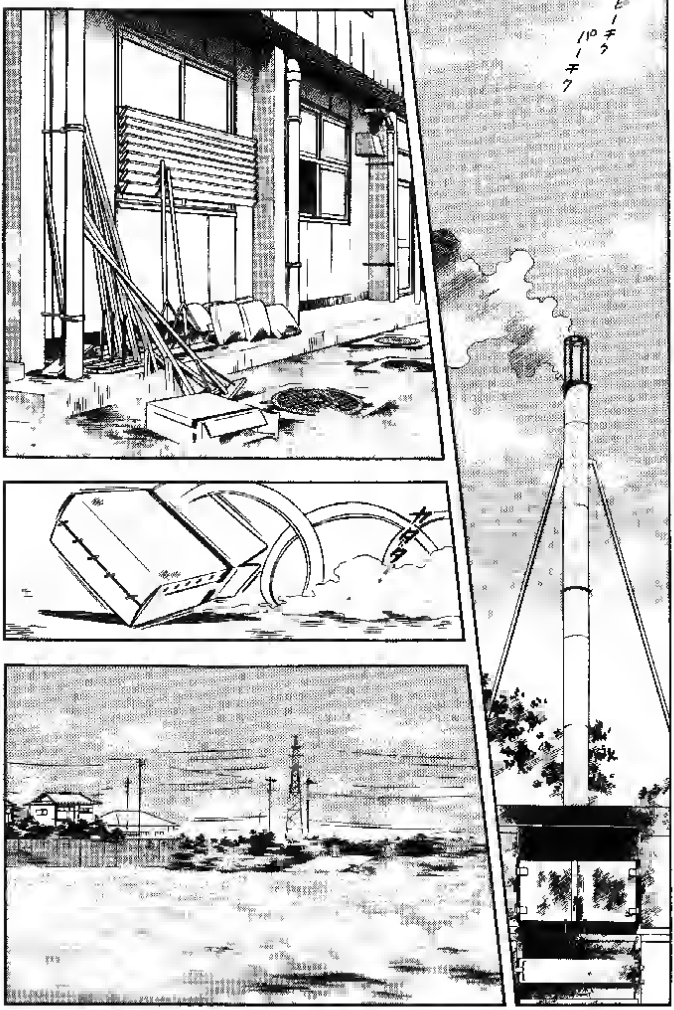
LET'S GET STARTED

OK WARM UP IS OVER

WE AGREED ON MY BEST PITCHER, RIGHT?

HEH?
NAKAZATO, IN POSITION
DIDN'T YOU KNOW?
SHE'S MY PITCHER THIS SEASON
I DIDN'T KNOW MYSELF

chapter 9 :
Minatsu Versus Ayako



YOU WANT TO THROW SOME PRACTICE PITCHES BEFORE WE START?
OF COURSE
ENOUGH!

SHE S FAST!

WHAT?
GIVE ME THAT

YES?
TANAKA

OK HERE WE GO SAWAMURA
GO, NAKAZATO
GO ALL OUT
DON'T HESITATE
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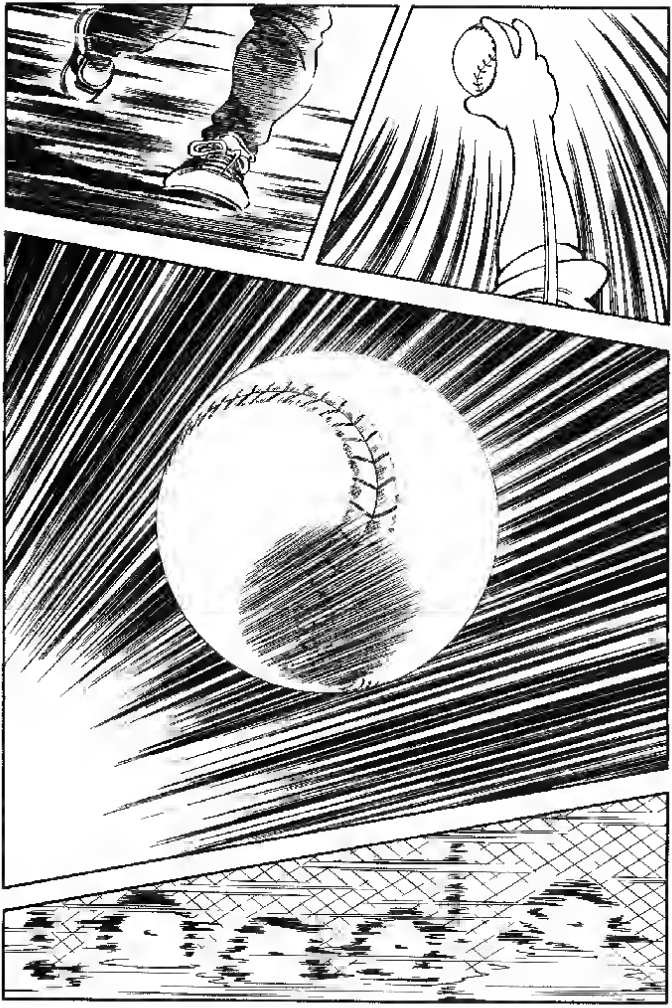

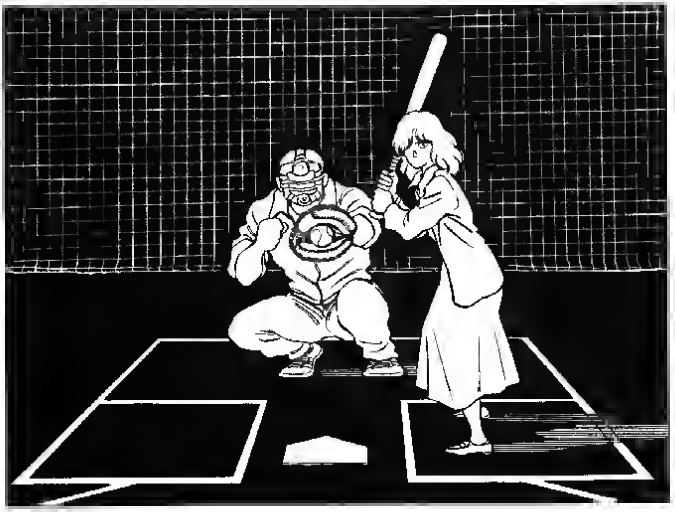

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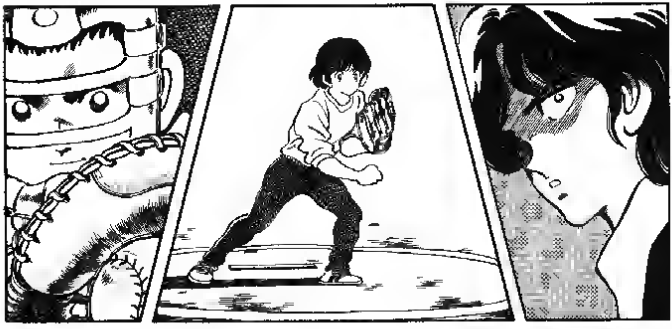

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ONE STRIKE
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TWO
STRIKE

THREE STRIKES AND YOU JOIN THE SOFTBALL CLUB
DON'T FORGET

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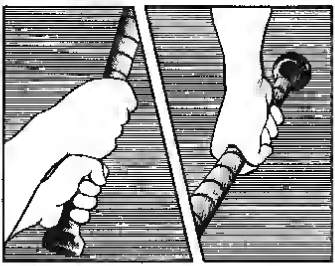
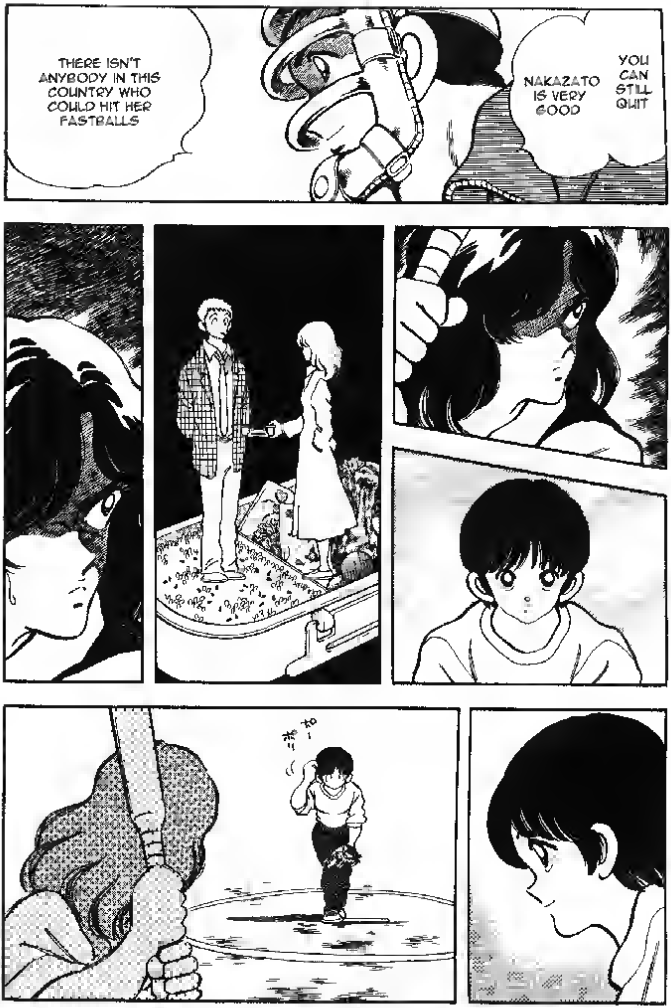
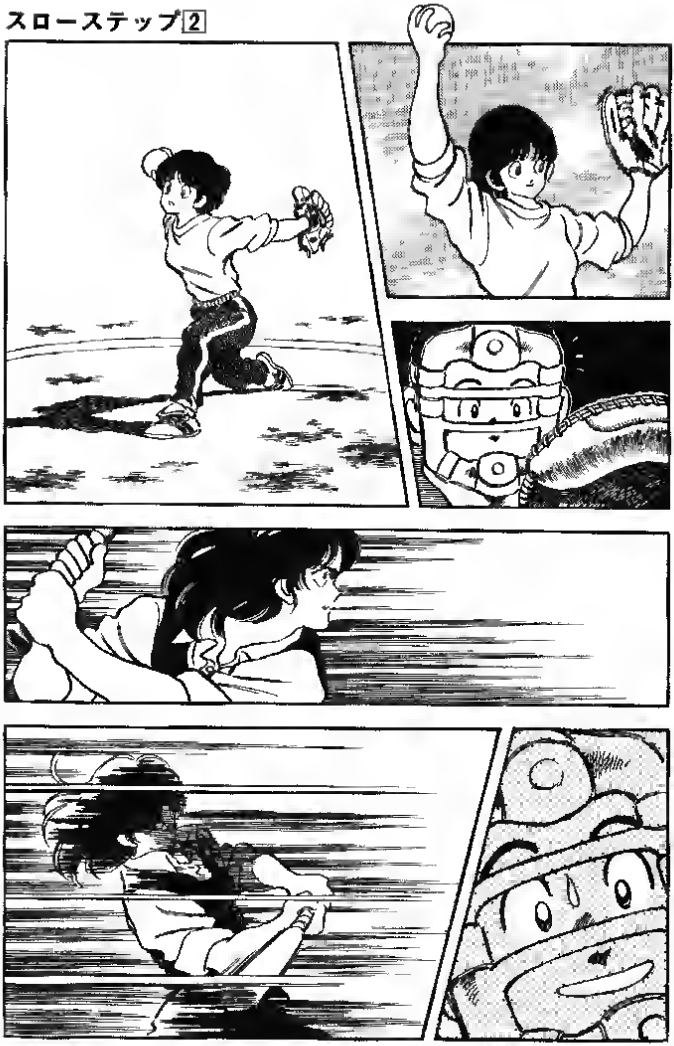
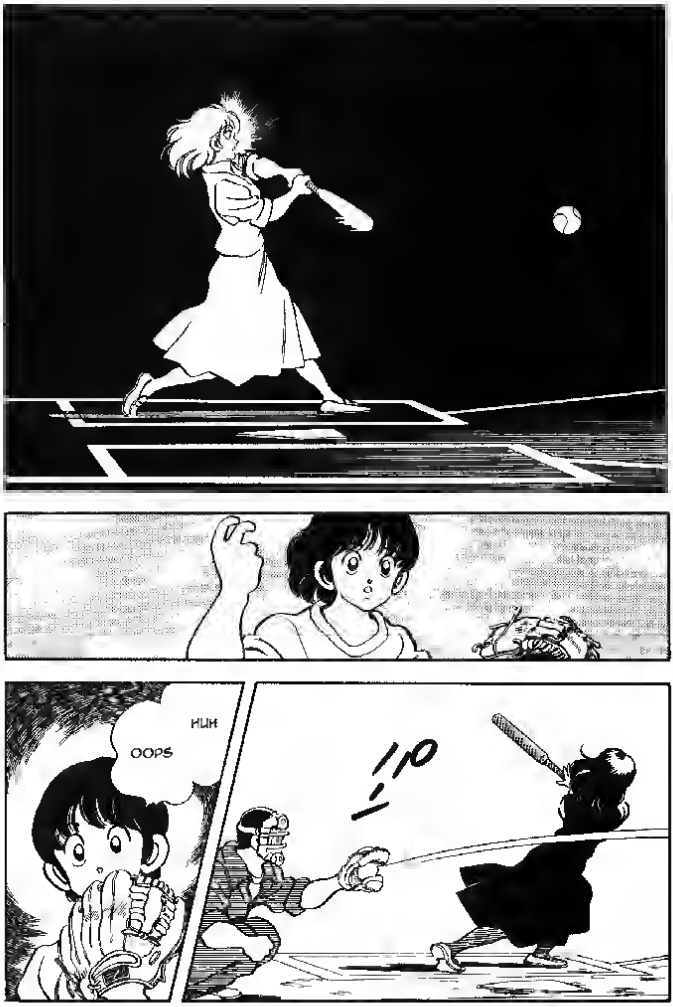
BUT IF I HIT IT, IT'S THE RENDEZVOUS

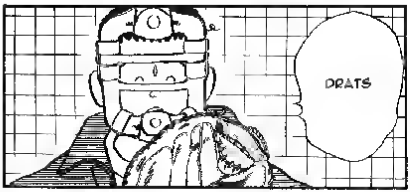



THERE ISN'T ANYBODY IN THIS COUNTRY WHO COULD HIT HER FASTBALLS
NAKAZATO IS VERY GOOD
YOU CAN STILL QUIT




UH
OOPS
!!

WELL
AH
ERR

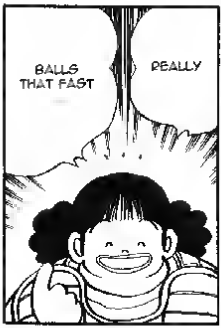

DRATS

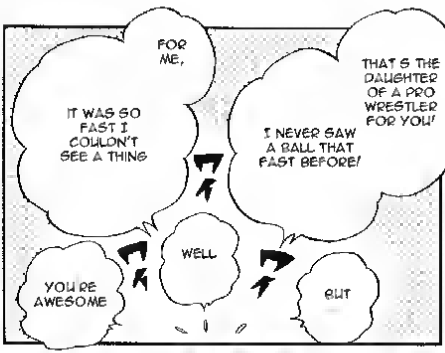
THAT'S IT, SHE WANTED TO THROW A EASY BALL AND IT MADE THE DIFFERENCE
HER KINDNESS BACKFIRED IN THE END

HMM
I'M STARTING TOMORROW
カラン

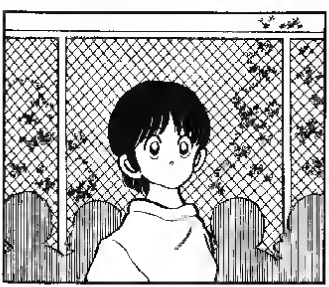
IT'LL BE PERFECT
YES

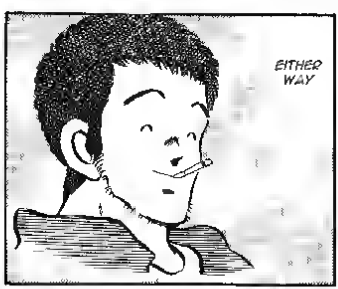
EITHER WAY
YEAH
YOU LOOK HAPPY
OH, TIME TO COACH THE BOXERS
FOR YOU
HU
WHY DID YOU HIDE THAT YOU COULD THROW BALLS THAT FAST?
AWESOME, MINATSU!

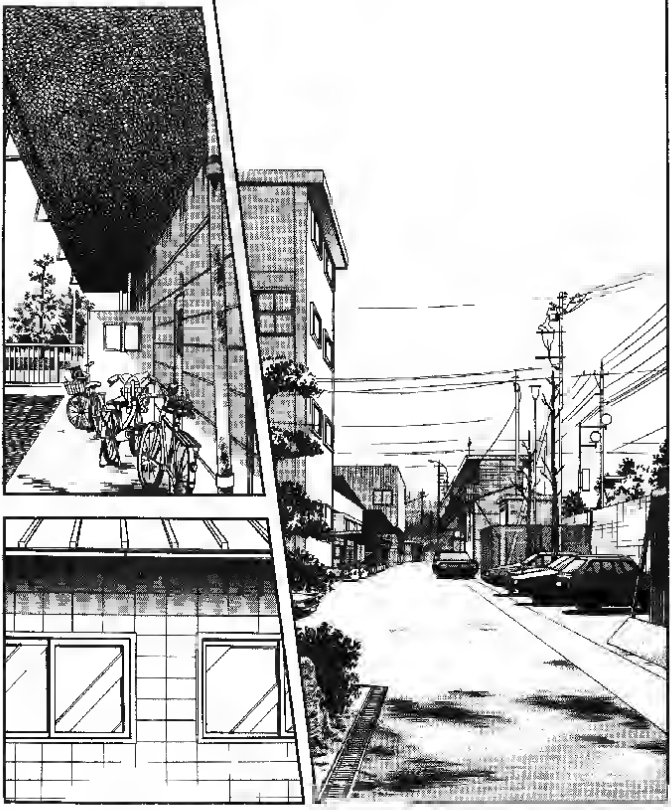

BALLS THAT FAST
REALLY


FOR ME,
IT WAS SO FAST I COULDN'T SEE A THING
I NEVER SAW A BALL THAT FAST BEFORE!
THAT'S THE DAUGHTER OF A PRO WRESTLER FOR YOU!
WELL
BUT
YOU'RE AWESOME

...I CAN'T CATCH THEM




EITHER WAY

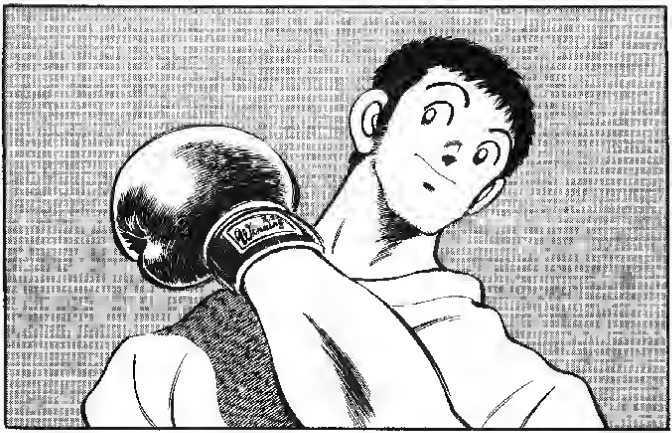


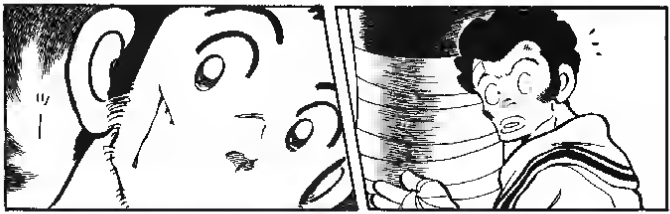
BOXING CLUB

PERFECT
GOOD
WE'RE REALLY STRONG
YEP
REALLY?!
.....
WE'RE REALLY STRONG AT MY SOFTBALL CLUB

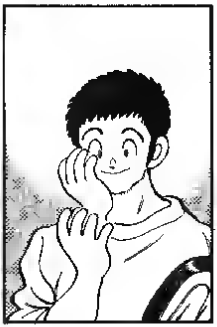
SHE INHERITED VERY GOOD MOTOR SKILLS FROM HER FATHER
THANKS TO NAKAZATO?
OH. YOU GUESSED?
IT'LL BE GREAT
SHE'S TERRIFIC
IN THREE YEARS, SHE'LL BE OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL
HEHEHE IN THREE YEARS

IN THREE YEARS, WE WON'T BE TEACHER AND STUDENT ANYMORE BUT MAN AND WOMAN
!!
I DIDN'T SAY IT WAS PROBLEM
THAT'S RIGHT,
I'M THE HAPPIEST MAN IN THE WORLD
HA HA HA !!!
NAKAZATO WILL MAKE A NICE FIANCEE

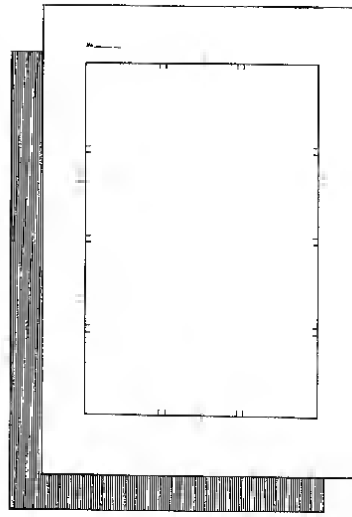




WAH!
HE'S BLEEDING!!

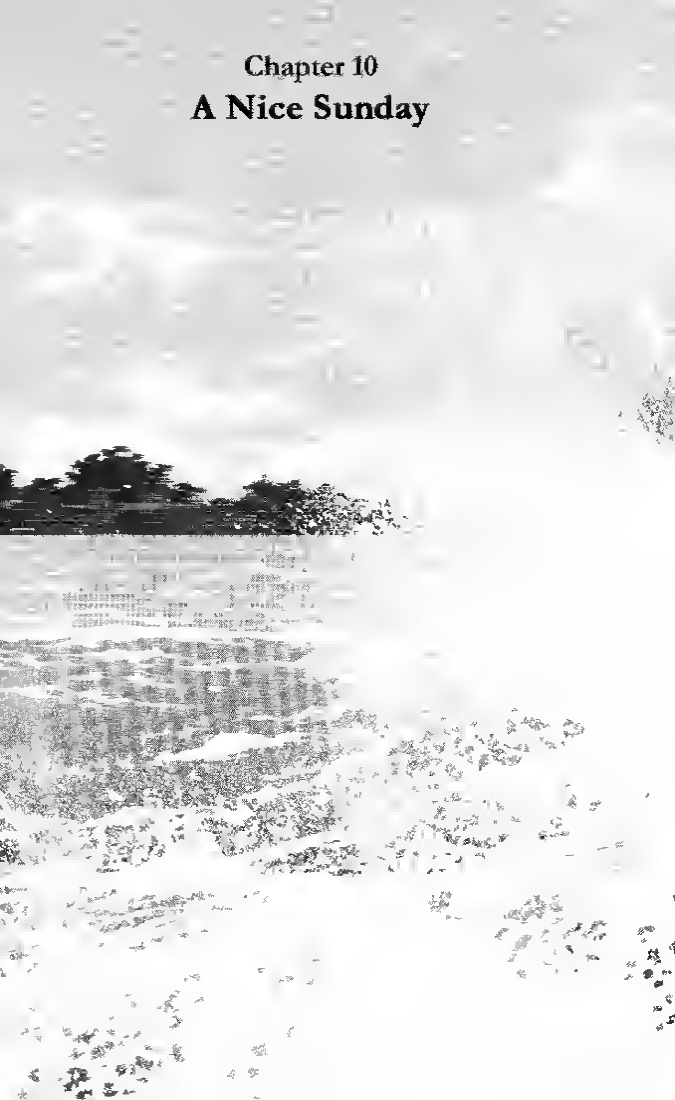


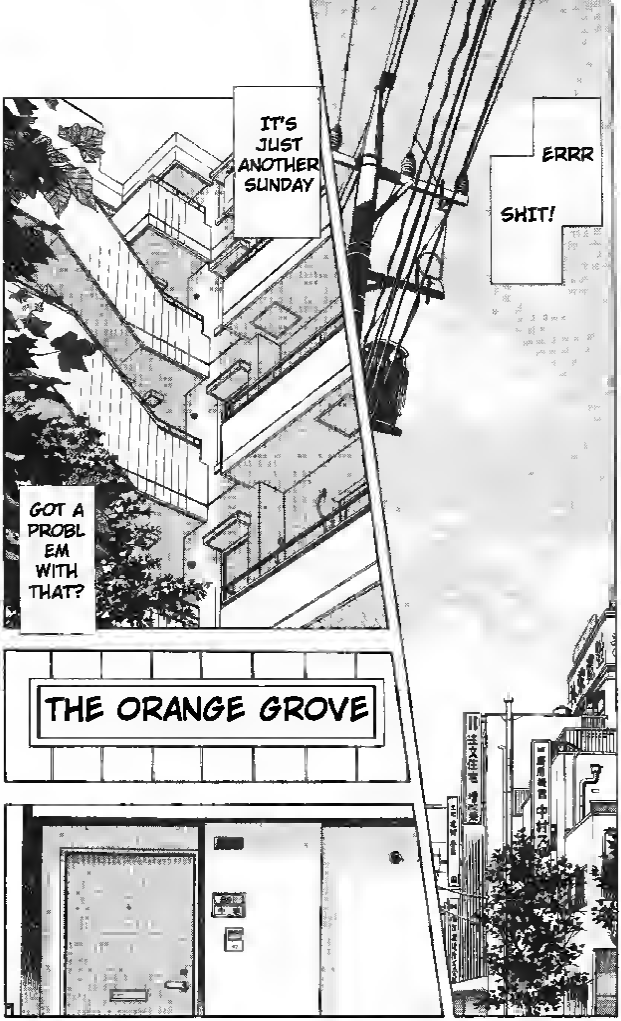
THIS IS THE WORK
OF A MANGAKA
WHO DEDICATED HIS
TEENAGE YEARS TO
A WHITE SHEET OF
PAPER OF 361X257
(PRELINED)



GIVE ME BACK MY YOUTH!!

Chapter 10
A Nice Sunday




IT'S JUST ANOTHER SUNDAY
ERRR
SHIT!
GOT A PROBL EM WITH THAT?
THE ORANGE GROVE

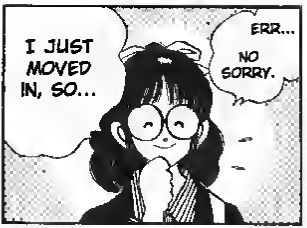
MINATSU!
HURRY OR YOU'LL BE LATE!
801
Nakazato
I KNOW THAT!
HM
YOU'RE GOING OUT WITH YOSHIKO TODAY, RIGHT?
NEVER-MIND
SO WHAT?
WITH THE GIRLS
YOU ARE ALWAYS SO POPULAR

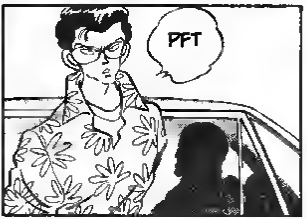
LIVE AND LET SEE
YOU'LL STILL END UP GOING OUT WITH A BOY SOMEDAY
COOL! THE WEATHER IS GREAT!
ガラッ
NUH..
ON
INTER

ARE THEY HERE FOR REVENGE
THEY'RE STUBBORN
ON
ステップ① 発売中
THOSE WHO BOUGHT THE FIRST VOLUME WILL KNOW THIS CAR ALREADY.
BUT WHAT ARE THEY DOING HERE AGAIN?
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
ステップ① 発売中
SHIT! AND TO THINK I'M IN A HURRY!

TRANSLATORS NOTE: POSE FROM BIOMAN OR KAMEN RIDER OR ULTRAMAN... TOO BAD I DIDNT WATCH THESE SHOW :)
EDITORS NOTE: LOOKS LIKE SAILOR MOON...

ERR..
WHAT IS IT?
ギク
HEY, YOU!
COME HERE.
HUH
HAVE YOU SEEN THIS HIGH-SCHOOLER IN THIS BUILDING?


I JUST MOVED IN, SO...
ERR... NO SORRY.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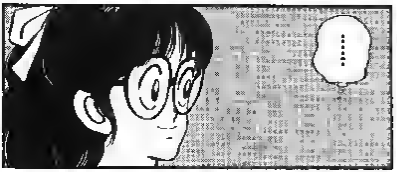
RIGHT
THEY WEREN'T HERE FOR ME
WHY DID I DISGUISE MYSELF THEN?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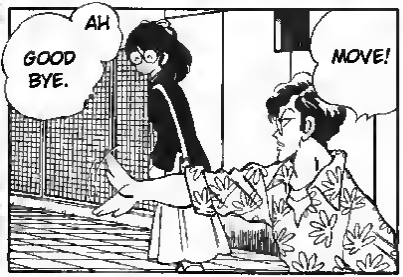
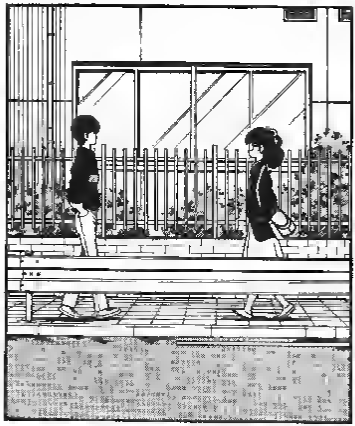
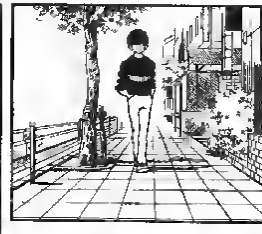
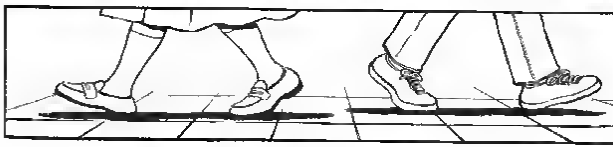

AH
GOOD BYE.
MOVE!







HIHI!

IDIOT!
HE DIDNT RECOGNIZE ME AT ALL
HM..
BAH!
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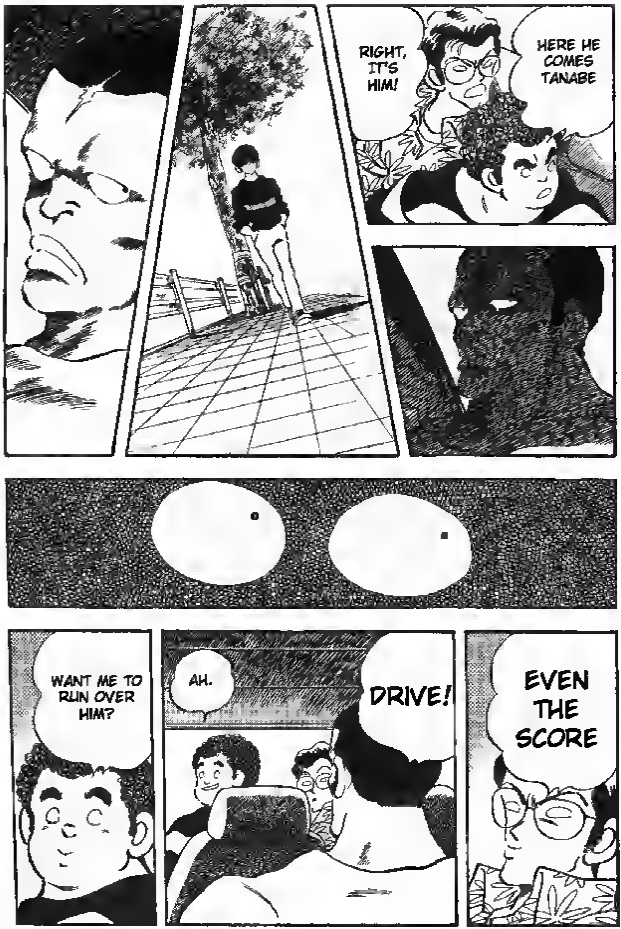
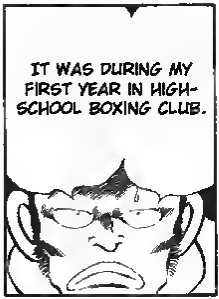
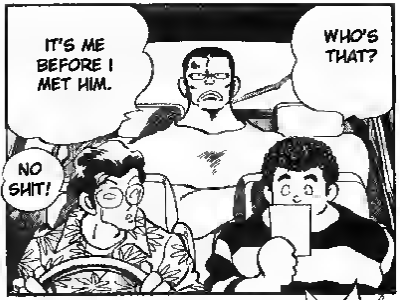
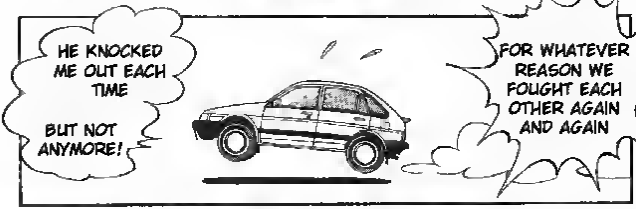

RIGHT, IT'S HIM!
HERE HE COMES TANABE
WANT ME TO RUN OVER HIM?
AH.
DRIVE!
EVEN THE SCORE

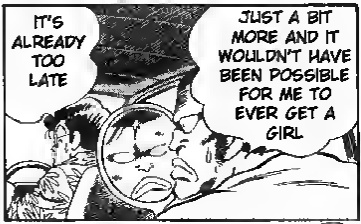
NOW! DRIVE OFF IMMEDIATELY OR YOU'RE DEAD MEAT!
MORON! I WANT TO RUN AWAY!
SO HIS NAME IS KADO-MATSU?
YOU TOTAL MORON!
DIDN'T YOU SEE IT WAS KADOMATSU FROM JOUSEI?!
LOOK AT HIS PICTURE

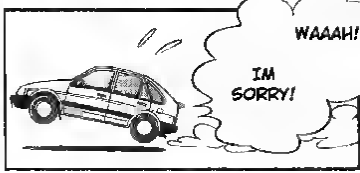

IT WAS DURING MY FIRST YEAR IN HIGH-SCHOOL BOXING CLUB.

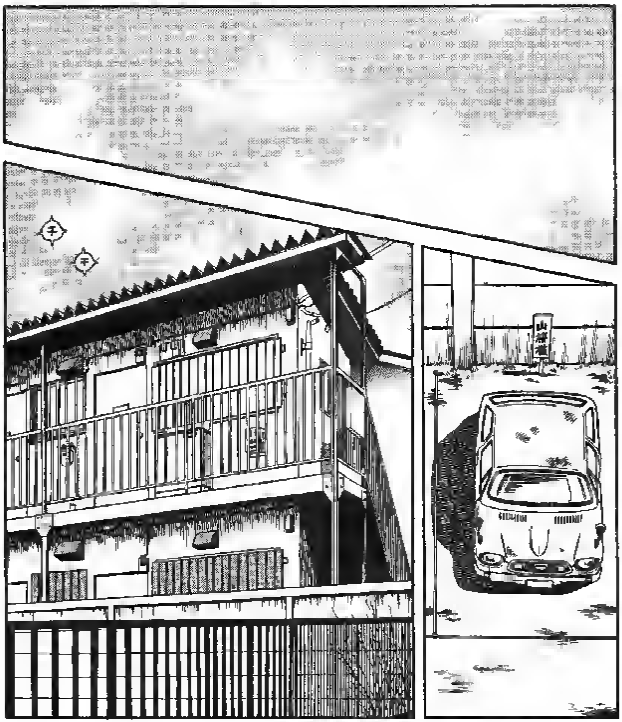

WHO'S THAT?
IT'S ME BEFORE I MET HIM.
NO SHIT!


HE KNOCKED ME OUT EACH TIME
BUT NOT ANYMORE!
FOR WHATEVER REASON WE FOUGHT EACH OTHER AGAIN AND AGAIN

...BUT AREN'T YOU IN DIFFERENT WEIGHT CLASSES THOUGH?
I GAINED WEIGHT AFTER LEAVING HIGH-SCHOOL


IT'S ALREADY TOO LATE
JUST A BIT MORE AND IT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE FOR ME TO EVER GET A GIRL


WAAAH!
IM SORRY!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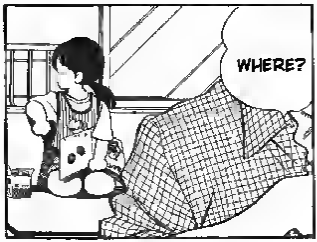
OUCH!
MAN, YOU REALLY NEED A WIFE!
日本むかし話
YOU NEED A WIFE
I'LL GET YOU A MOM SOON
WAIT
GIVE ME JUST A BIT MORE TIME

JUST SAY IT AND I'LL GO AWAY
IF I EMBAR-RASS YOU.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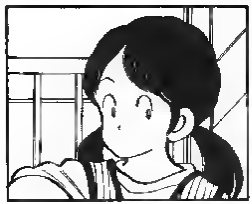
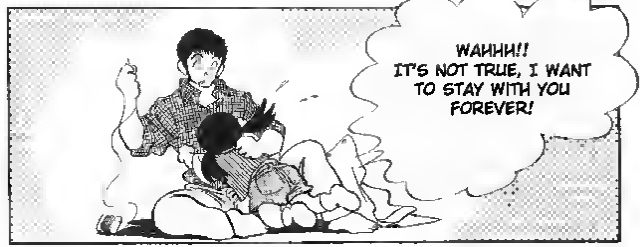


ANSWER ME!


WAHHH!! IT'S NOT TRUE, I WANT TO STAY WITH YOU FOREVER!

WITH ME CHIKA WILL BECOME A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG LADY
DON'T WORRY SIS!
IT'S OK...
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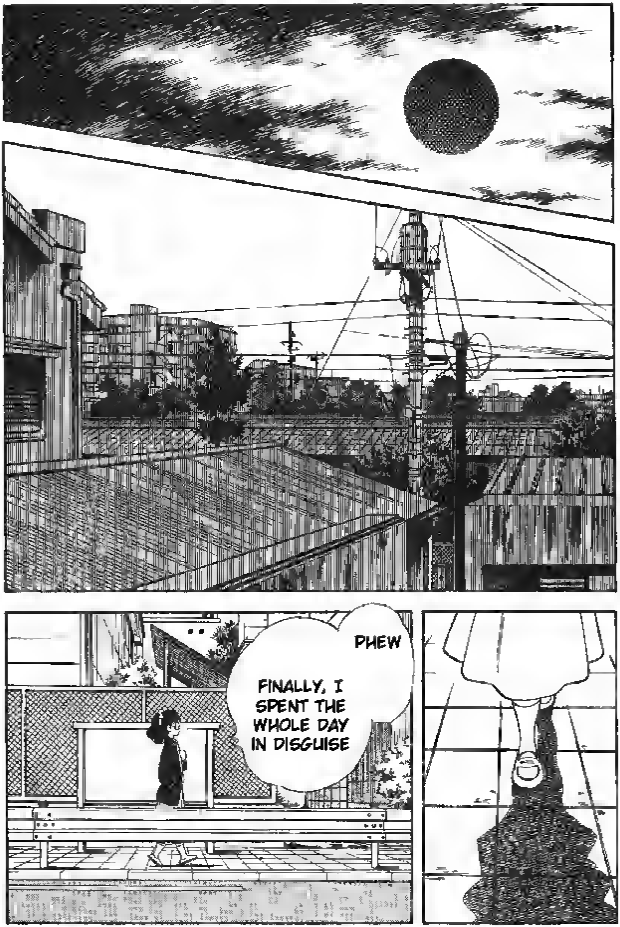
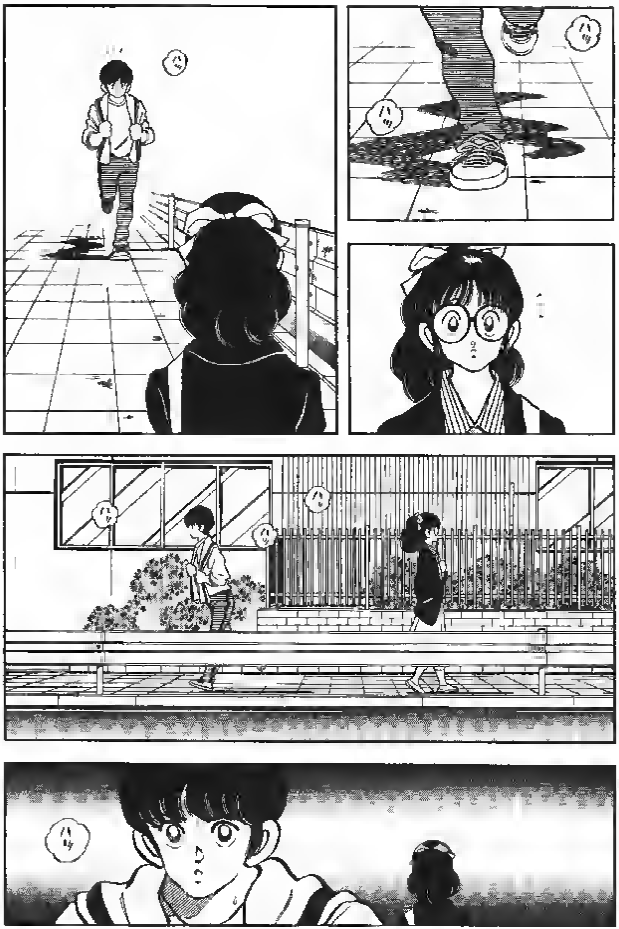
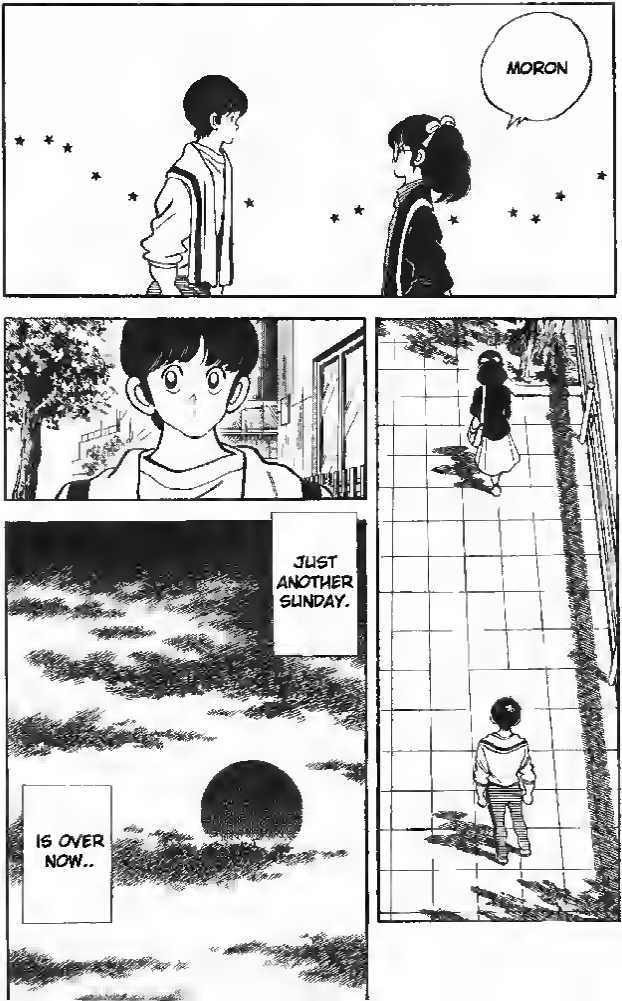

PHEW
FINALLY, I SPENT THE WHOLE DAY IN DISGUISE



HE REC-OG-NIZED ME?
HEY! WAIT UP
SINCE THE FIRST TIME I SAW YOU
I'VE ONLY THOUGHT OF YOU
WILL YOU GO OUT WITH ME?


MORON
JUST ANOTHER SUNDAY.
IS OVER NOW..

Chapter 11

The Coach's Bet

WE CAN DO IT!
GOT IT, YOU ALL?
OK!
WE HAVE TO LOSE BY LESS THAN 5 POINTS!
AND ON YOU AS WELL, SAWAMURA
I'M COUNTING ON YOU, NAKAZATO
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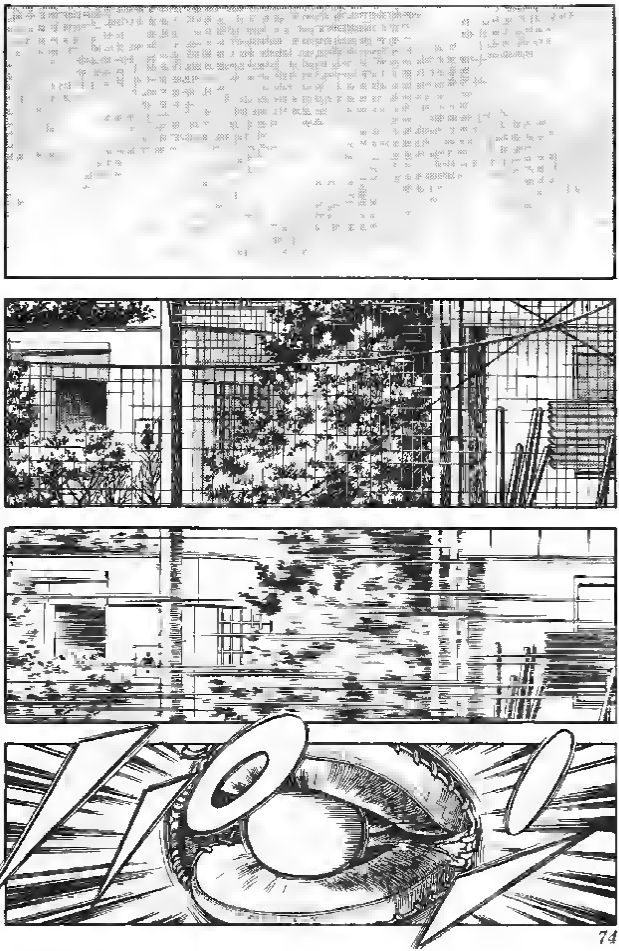
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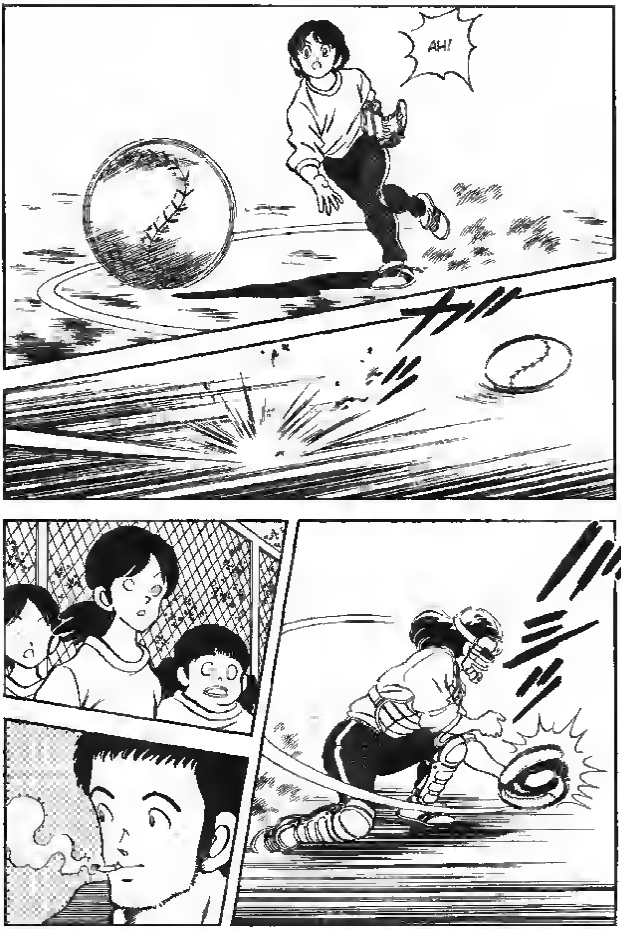
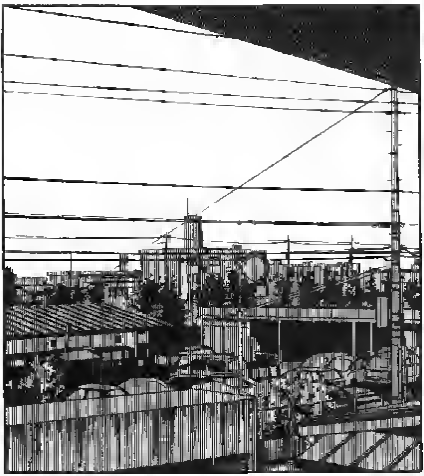

AH!

...FOR THIS SUNDAY'S FRIENDLY GAME
WE EVEN COULD BE READY IN TIME...
LIKE A T.V. SHOW, IT IS PROGRESSING WELL
FRIENDLY GAME?
LIARS!
WHAT? YOU NEVER TOLD US!
AND SO WHOS OUR OPPONENT?
I JUST TOLD YOU NOW

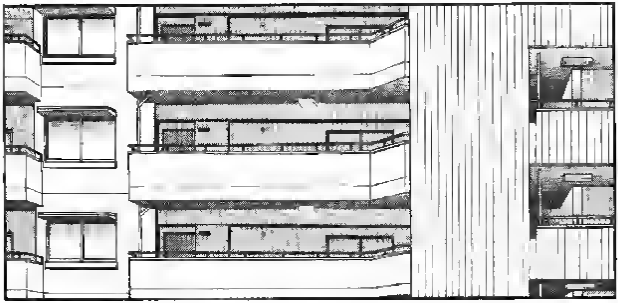
WHAT?!
THE ALL GIRL HIGH SCHOOL SAGISAKA!
IT'S THE KILLERS TEAM!
THEY WON THE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT LAST YEAR
IN ANY CASE WE MUST NOT LOSE BY MORE THAN 5 POINTS!
IDIOTS! WE SHALL NOT RECOIL BEFORE THEIR REPUTATION!
HEH

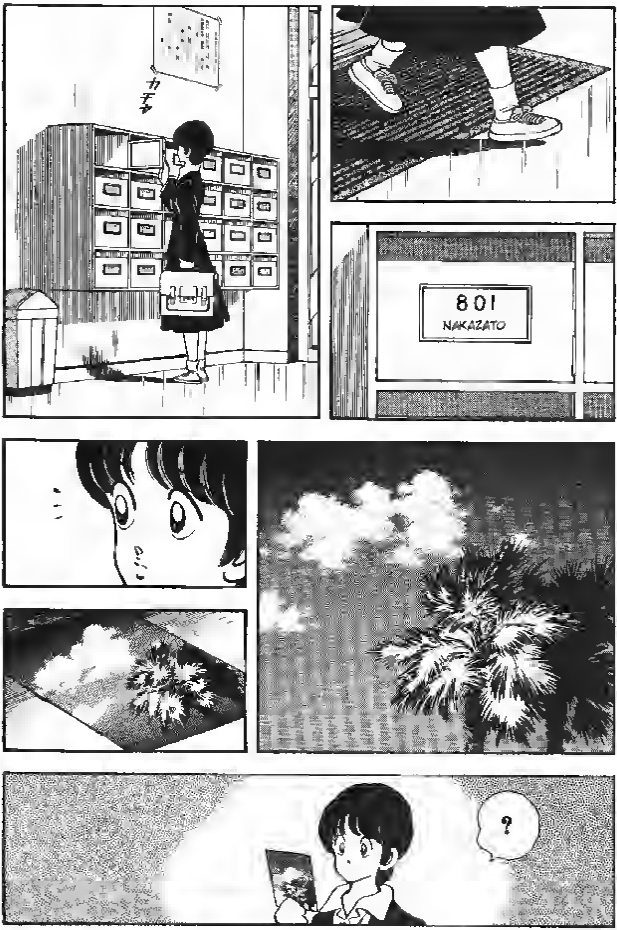
AS LONG AS WE DONT LOSE BY MORE THAN 5 POINTS, I'M THE WINNER
WELL
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
HE WAS ONE OF MY UNDERCLASSMEN IN COLLEGE
WE WENT OUT DRINKING TOGETHER RECENTLY
YOU?
ACTUALLY I MADE A BET WITH SAGISAKA'S COACH
WAS IT A GOOD ENOUGH REASON TO SETTLE FOR 5 POINTS HANDICAP MATCH?
IT REALLY GOT ON MY NERVES SO I DEFIED HIM
HE WAS AWFULLY ARROGANT BACK THEN

HE'LL TREAT ME AT HIS PARENT'S RESTAURANT FOR A WHOLE MONTH
IF WE WIN... ERR SORRY, IF WE DON'T LOSE BY MORE THAN 5 POINTS...
WELL THEN WHAT DID YOU BET ON
AH...
...AND IF WE HAPPEN TO LOSE BY MORE THAN 5 POINTS?
IN THAT CASE, WHEN I SPEAK TO HIM, I'LL HAVE TO SAY "SIR"
HEH
YEAH HEH
RIGHT! WHAT A GREAT STAKE, HOW EXCITING



THE ORANGE GROVE

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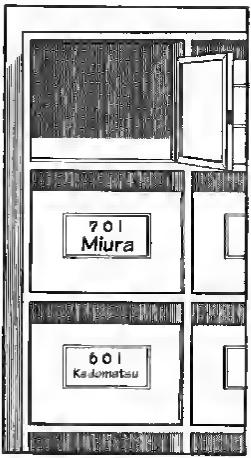
NAKAZATO
?

WE HAVE BLUE SKY EVERYDAY HERE IN CALI-FORNIA
WHAT?
BIG BRO, HOW ARE YOU? ARE YOU GETTING USED TO LIVING ALONE?
I HAVE A LOT OF AMERICAN FRIENDS NOW (AND SEVERAL BOYFRIENDS TOO)
DAD AND MOM ARE FINE.
WHAT'S THIS?
I CAN'T WAIT FOR NEXT SUMMER. REIKO
BUT I MISS YOU AND I FEEL A BIT LONELY.
FINISH YOUR STUDIES QUICK AND COME BACK TO US.



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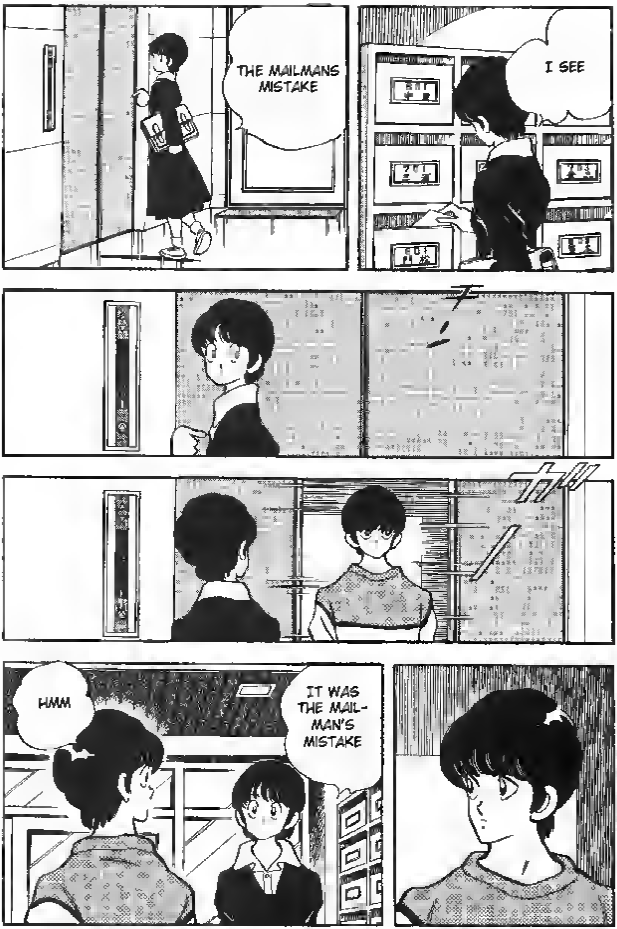
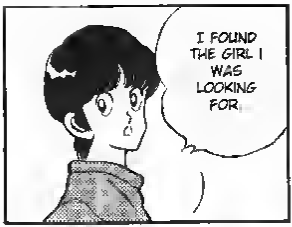
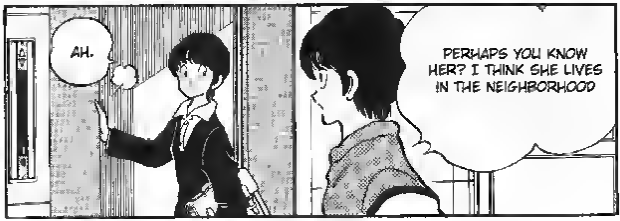

THE MAILMANS MISTAKE
I SEE
HMM
IT WAS THE MAIL-MAN'S MISTAKE


I FOUND THE GIRL I WAS LOOKING FOR.

OH, BY THE WAY

AH?


AH.
PERHAPS YOU KNOW HER? I THINK SHE LIVES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

A MANGAKA PAL DREW HER PICTURE.

HERE, LOOK

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN HER?
NO WAY..
FOR KADOMATSU
ADACHI
OK?
IF YOU EVER SEE HER, COME AND TELL ME
BUT SHE IS REALLY GREAT

GOOD LUCK IN FINDING HER
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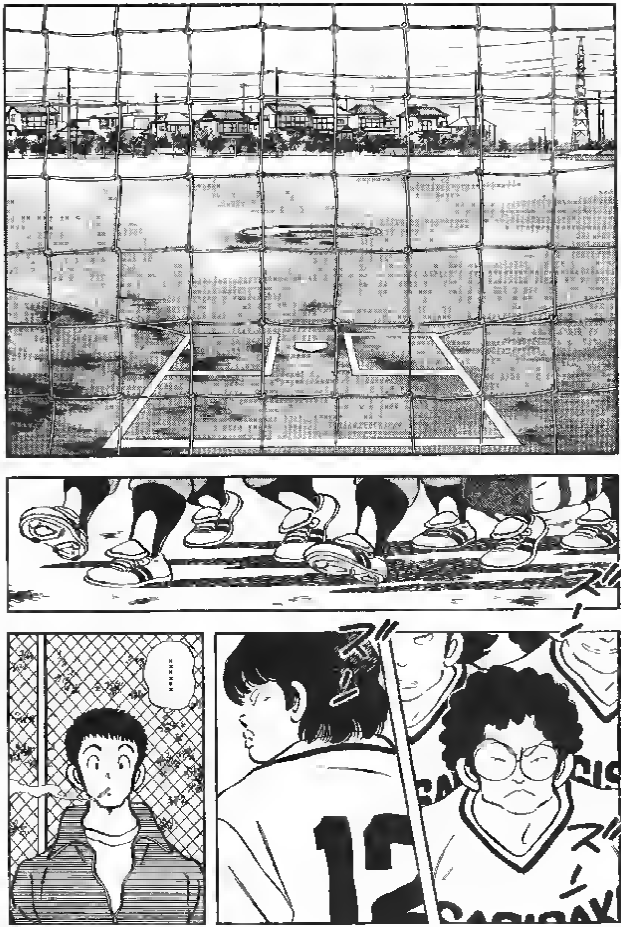
SUNDAY
SOFTBALL CLUB
ASAOK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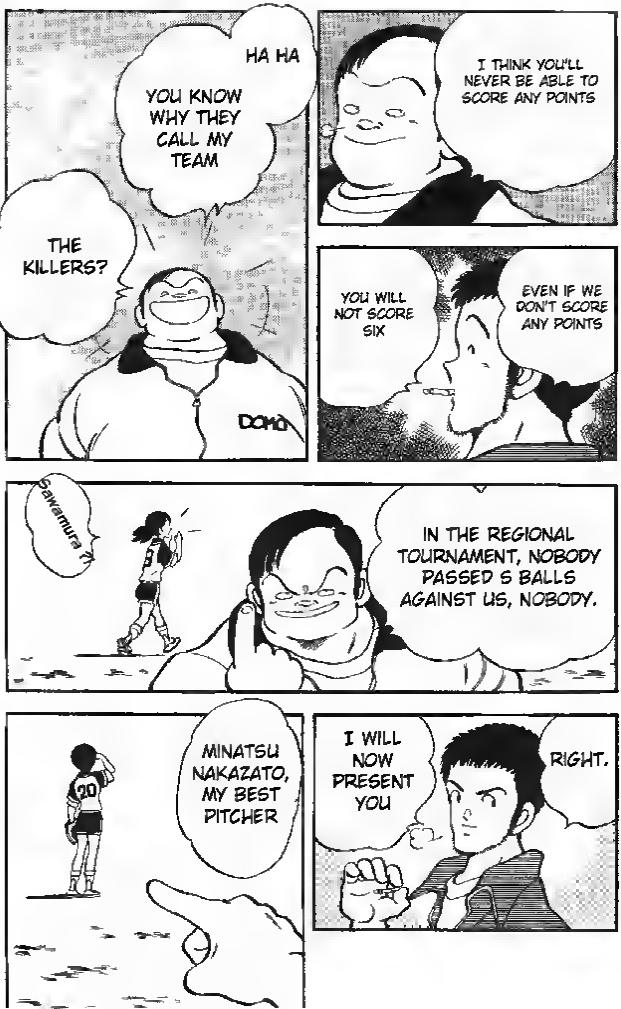
AH, HELLO SEMPAI
I WAS TALKING ABOUT THEIR LOOK
YOU'VE GOT ONE HELL OF A TEAM
YOU'RE TELLING ME WE ARE IN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT
Sakamura!
DON'T FORGET YOUR PROMISE, SEMPAI
I KNOW


HA HA
YOU KNOW WHY THEY CALL MY TEAM
THE KILLERS?
DOMO
I THINK YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SCORE ANY POINTS
YOU WILL NOT SCORE SIX
EVEN IF WE DON'T SCORE ANY POINTS
Sawamura?!
IN THE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT, NOBODY PASSED 5 BALLS AGAINST US, NOBODY.
MINATSU NAKAZATO, MY BEST PITCHER
I WILL NOW PRESENT YOU
RIGHT.

Samamuraaa !
ASAO
EH
YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE?
RIGHT
SHALL WE START?
HUUH
Samamuraaa !
Samamuraaa !
Samamuraaa !
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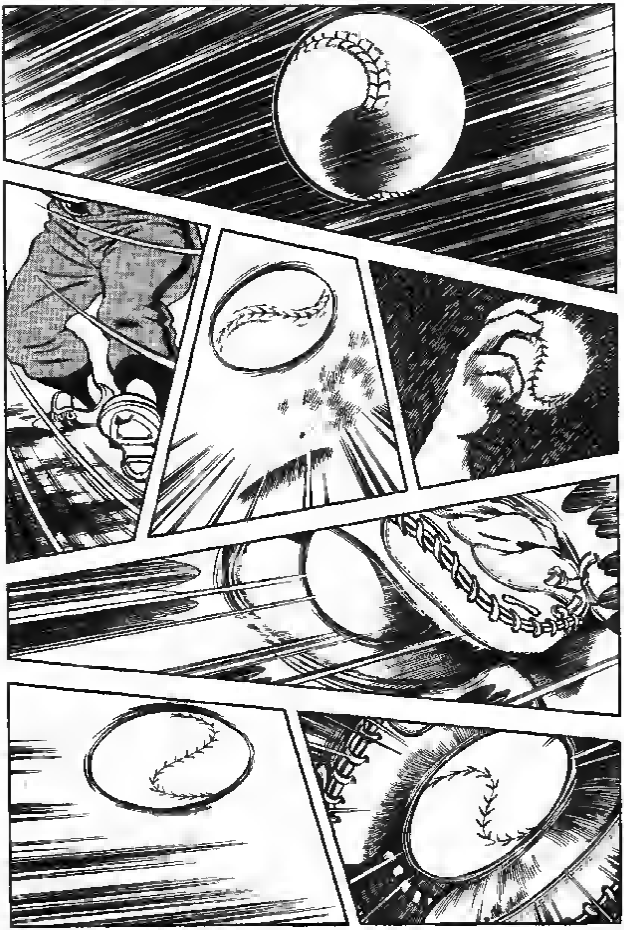
Chapter 12
Ayako isn't here?

I TALKED TO HER MOTHER
SO??
AND?
WHERE IS AYAKO SAWAMURA ?!!
Ah
HAHAHAHA
SHE'S REALLY NICE.

COME ON, COME ON
WELL, SEMPAI, WE'RE WAITING.
SHE LEFT HOME TWO HOURS AGO
TWO HOURS AGO?
HANG IN THERE! WE'VE GOT TO BUY TIME UNTIL SAWAMURA ARRIVES
GO! FIGHT WITH ALL YOUR MIGHT!
OH WELL NEVERMIND



YOU'VE GOT TO BLY.
HANG IN THERE!
SAGISAKA
15
CHANGE!

COACH
OK HERE WE GO
AH, YEAH.
ROGER!
NAKAZATO, DON'T USE FASTBALLS, GO FOR CURVEBALLS
WITH HER CONTROL, SHE CAN THROW A BIT SLOWER AND...

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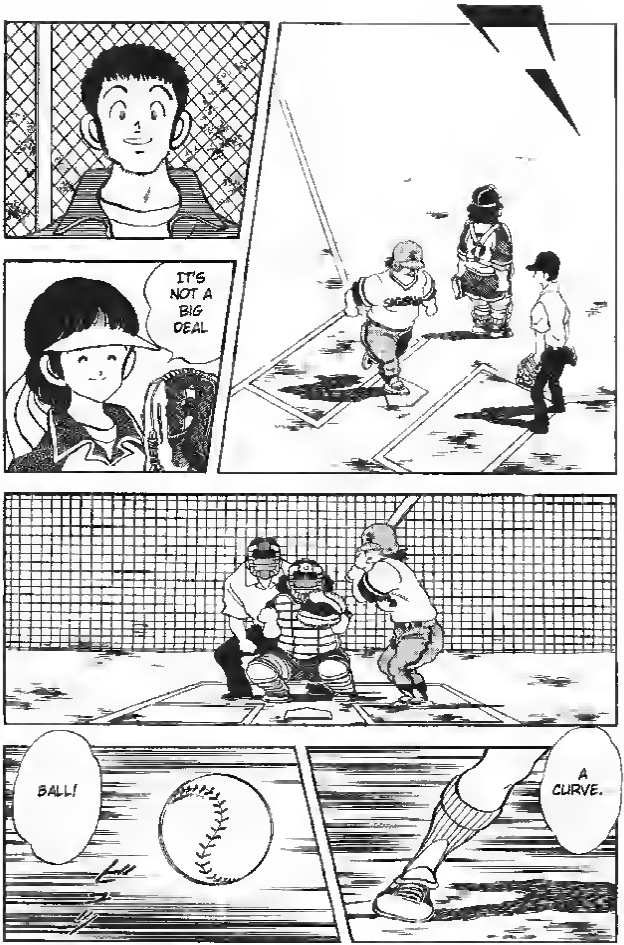
IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL
BALL!
A CURVE.

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GOOD!
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AH!
SAOKA
YOU CAN TRY ANY WEIRD TRAJEC-TORY YOU WANT
YOU CAN'T BEAT MY KILLERS TEAM WITH THESE TRICKS

AND... WHAT IF SHE HAD AN ACCIDENT?
キリ
Oka
SAWAMURA ISN'T HERE YET?!
SHE IS REALLY REALLY LATE
SOME-THING MUST HAVE HAP-PENED TO HER
GULP!
THAT'S RIGHT! THE AUTHOR DID THIS ONCE ALREADY!*
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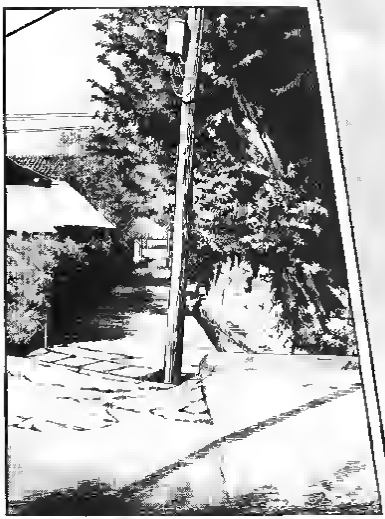
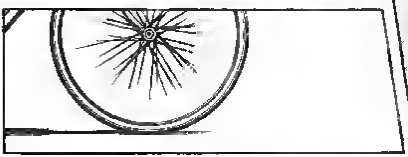
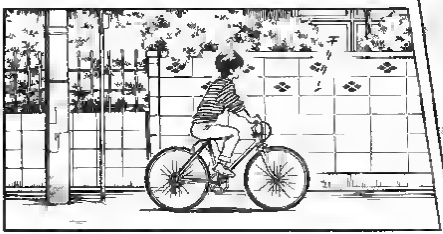
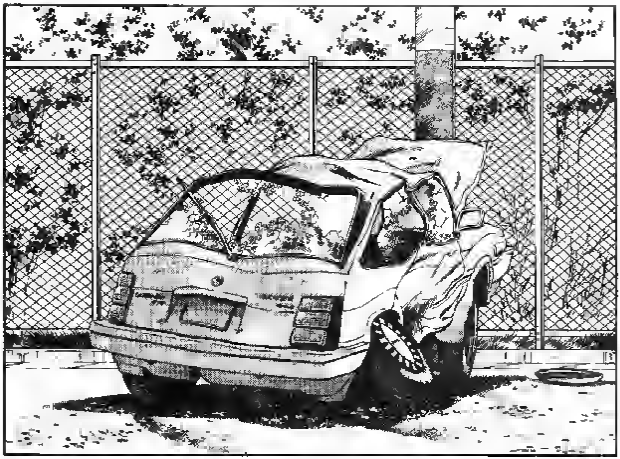
AH...
YEAH, BUT HE IS KNOWN FOR NOT REUSING THE SAME SCENARIO TWICE





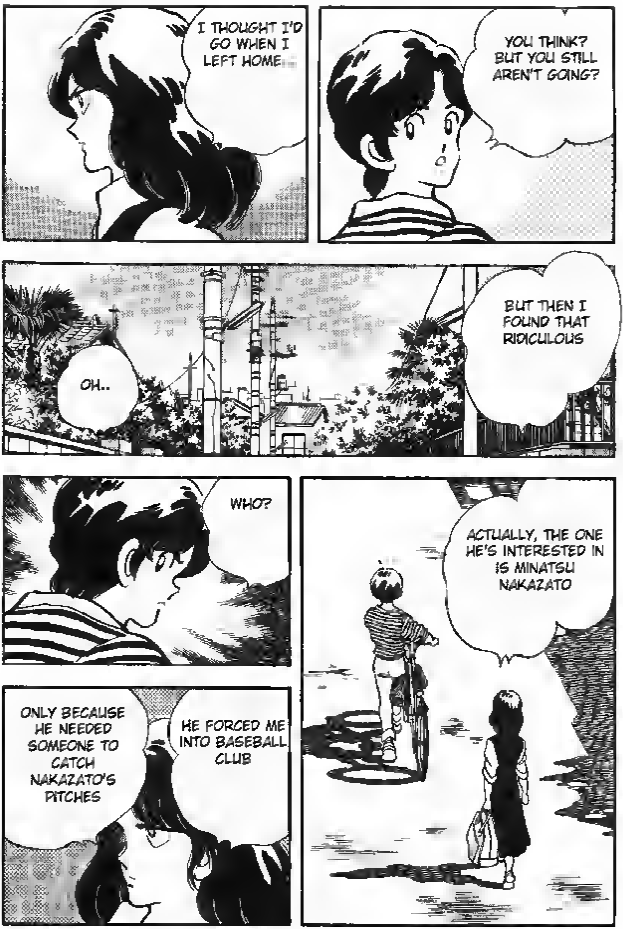




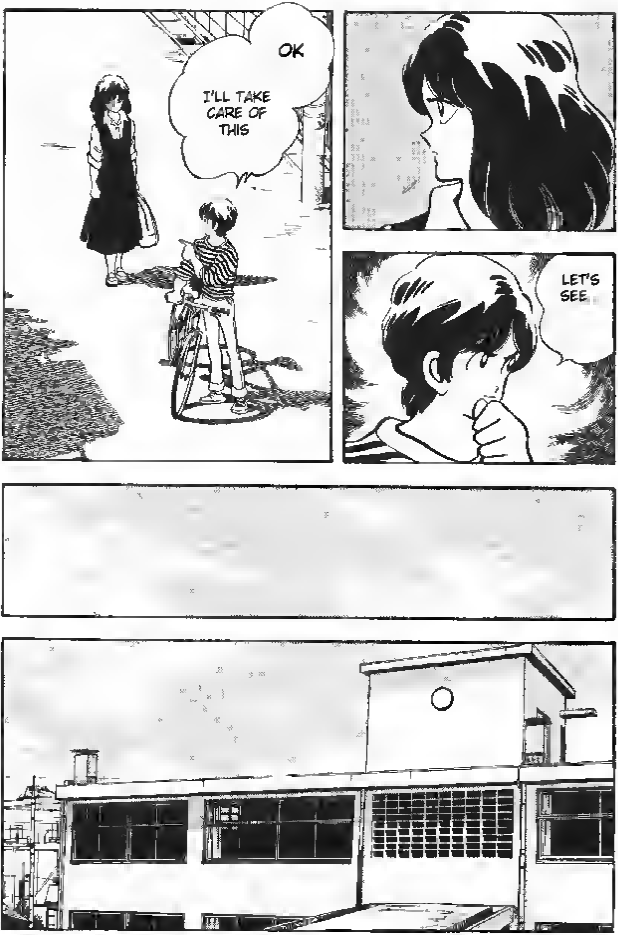
OH?

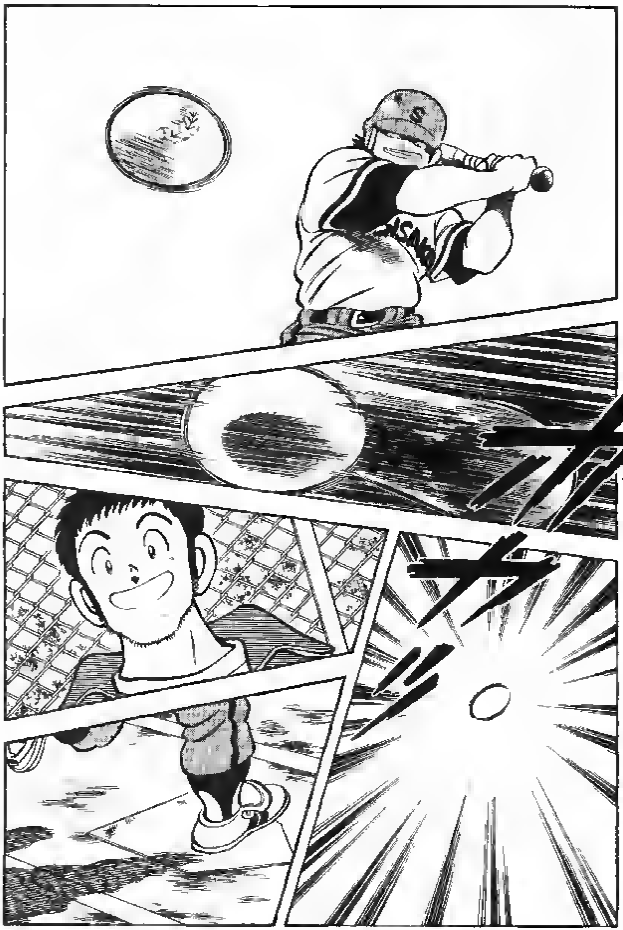
AN ACCIDENT?

HEY!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING AROUND HERE?
I THINK IT HAS
HASN'T THE MATCH ALREADY BEGUN?


I THOUGHT I'D GO WHEN I LEFT HOME...
YOU THINK? BUT YOU STILL AREN'T GOING?
OH..
BUT THEN I FOUND THAT RIDICULOUS
WHO?
ACTUALLY, THE ONE HE'S INTERESTED IN IS MINATSU NAKAZATO
ONLY BECAUSE HE NEEDED SOMEONE TO CATCH NAKAZATO'S PITCHES
HE FORCED ME INTO BASEBALL CLUB

HOW STUPID... AGE DOESN'T MATTER, HE SHOULD CARE MORE ABOUT HIS STUDENTS FEELINGS
AH...
HIM...
.....
ERR NEVER-MIND
WHAT?
HA!


OK
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS
LET'S SEE



TEAM
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2
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Asaoka
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Sagisaka
4
...I'LL HAVE TO CALL THE UGLY MORON "SIR"
WHAT SHOULD I DO? IF WE GIVE THEM MORE THAN 5 POINTS...
THE UGLY MORON
DOKI
YOU'VE ALREADY GIVEN UP 4 POINTS AND THE BASES ARE LOADED...

"I, KANZO YAMAZAKURA, HEREBY WARRANT I'LL ASK AYAKO SAWAMURA OUT AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH FOR A YEAR."
IF THAT IS SO, I RECOMMAND YOU TO SIGN THIS.
AH, ALLOW ME TO PRESENT MYSELF. SHUJI AKIBA, MISS AYAKO SAWAMURA'S MANAGER
WHAT'S THIS?
W---WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS CRAP?!
IF YOU WANT HER TO COME, YOU HAVE TO SIGN THAT CONTRACT. THAT'S ALL.
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OUCH!

NEVERMIND THEN
WELL WELL

YES?

W-WAIT!

HEEEEEEYYY?!
ASAOKA

NICE PLAY, MINATSU!
ASAOKA
CHANGE!
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THERE, I SIGNED IT! HURRY AND GET HER HERE!

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SIGN THE CONTRACT

—PART 1—

TEAM
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Asaoka
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Sagisaka
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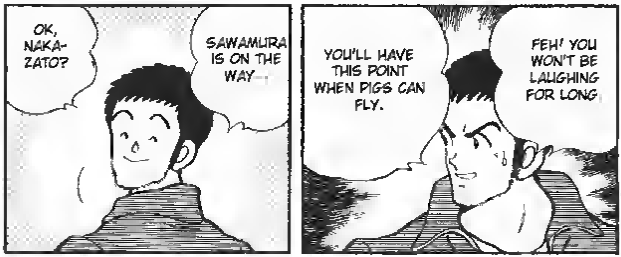
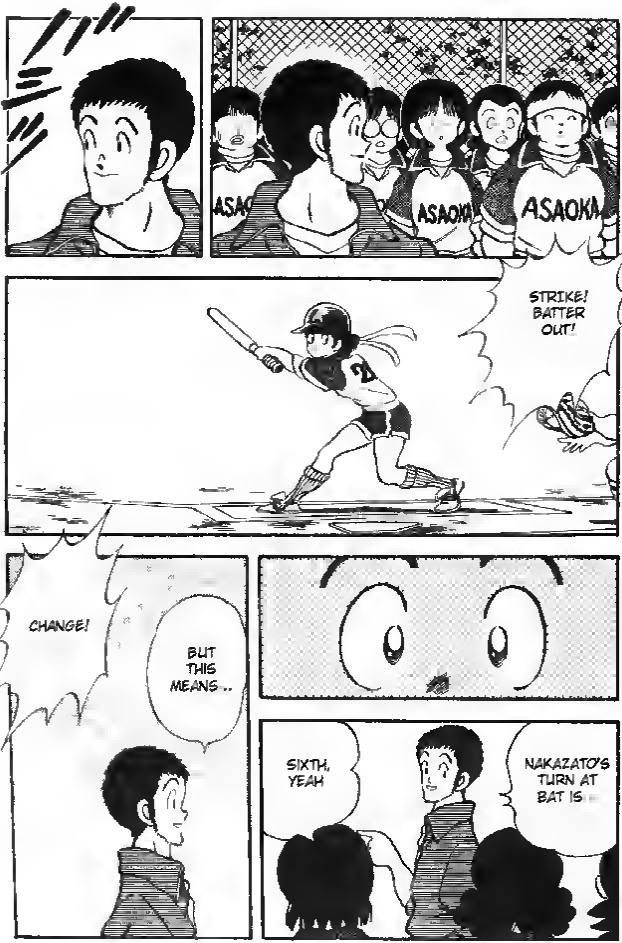
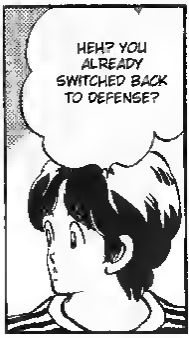
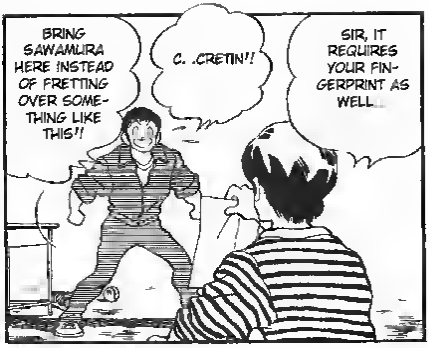
ONLY ONE POINT TO GO!
Hyark hyak


OK, NAKAZATO?
SAWAMURA IS ON THE WAY—!
YOU'LL HAVE THIS POINT WHEN PIGS CAN FLY.
FEH! YOU WON'T BE LAUGHING FOR LONG!


ASAOKA
ASAOKA
ASAOKA
STRIKE! BATTER OUT!
CHANGE!
BUT THIS MEANS...
SIXTH, YEAH
NAKAZATO'S TURN AT BAT IS

A... AKIBAAAAAAAA!!
ONE POINT MORE, JUST A MERE POINT MORE


HEH? YOU ALREADY SWITCHED BACK TO DEFENSE?

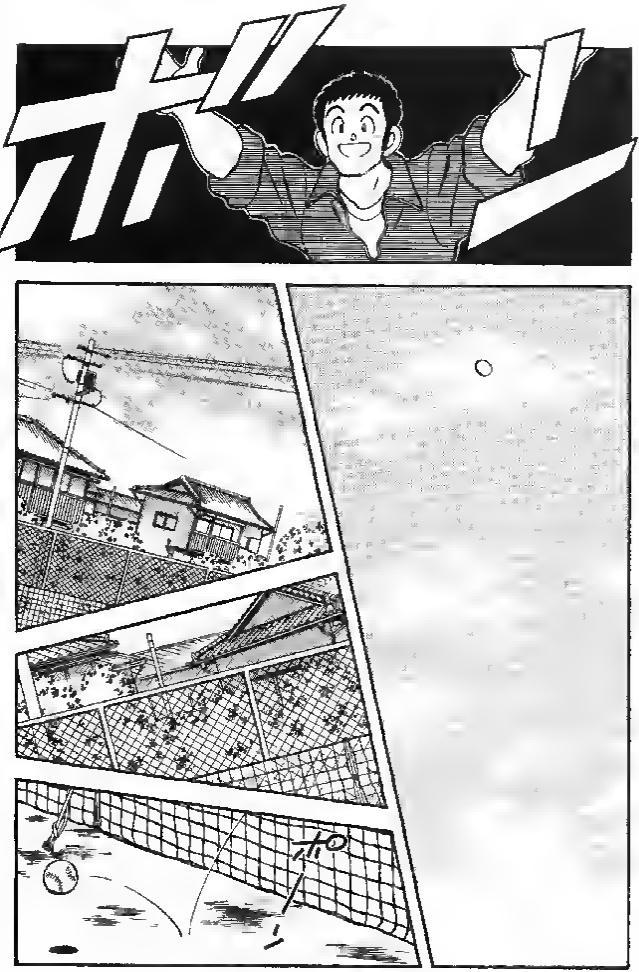

BRING SAWAMURA HERE INSTEAD OF FRETTING OVER SOMETHING LIKE THIS!!
C. .CRETIN!!
SIR, IT REQUIRES YOUR FINGERPRINT AS WELL...

WHERE IS SAWAMURA ?!!
OK, DEAL

THERE! BUT IF WE LOSE THIS MATCH BY MORE THAN FIVE POINTS, THIS CONTRACT IS NULL AND VOID, GOT THAT?!

TIME!
TIME!

SHOULD I GO IN POSITION RIGHT AWAY?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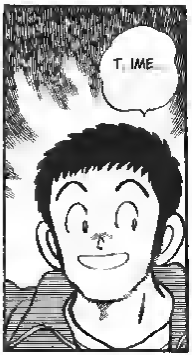
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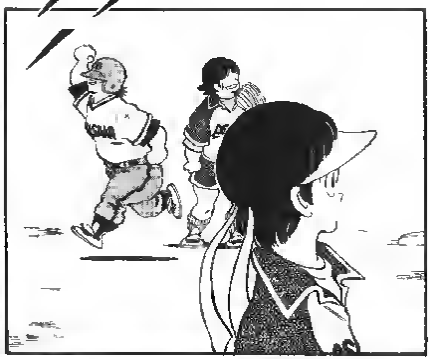

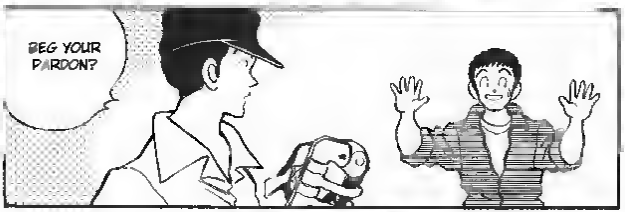
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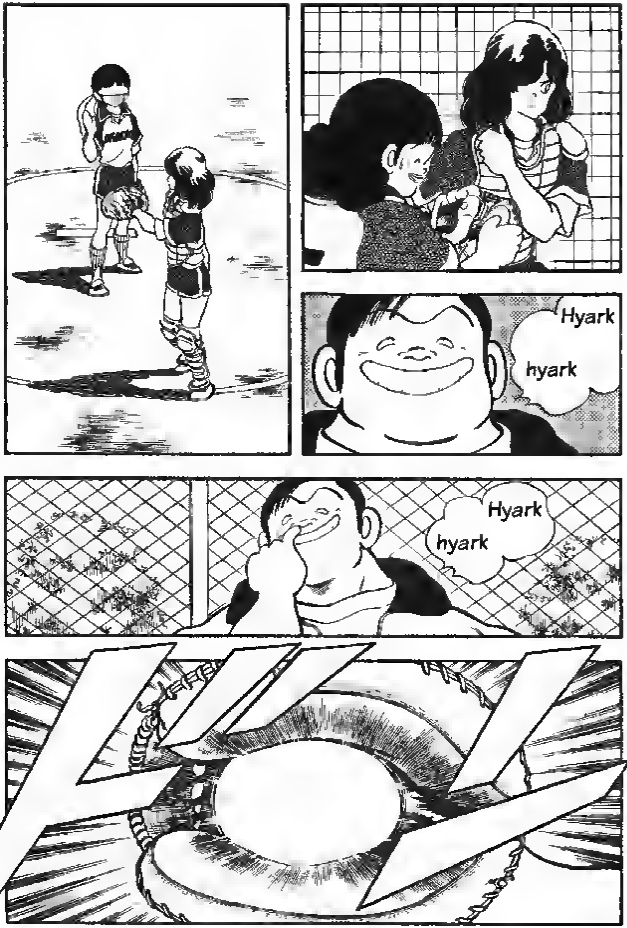
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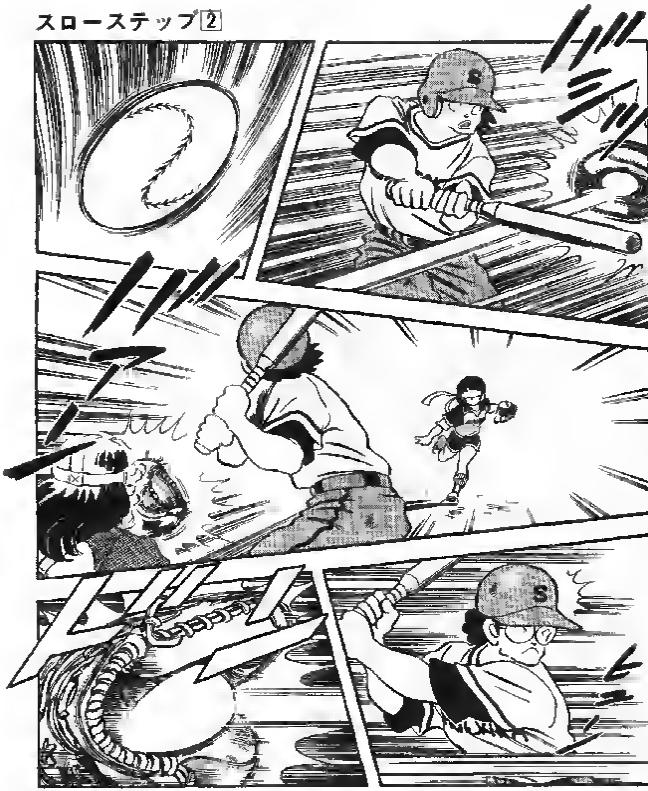
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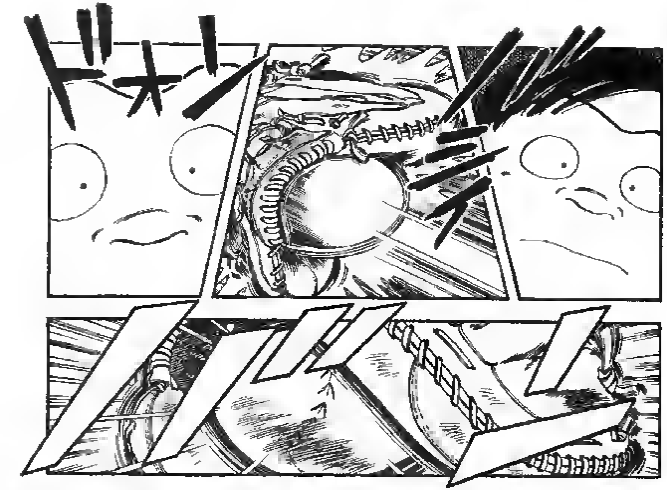
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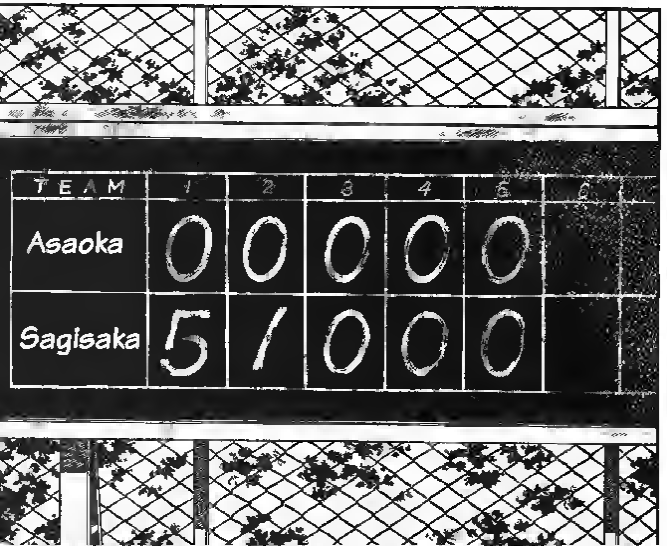
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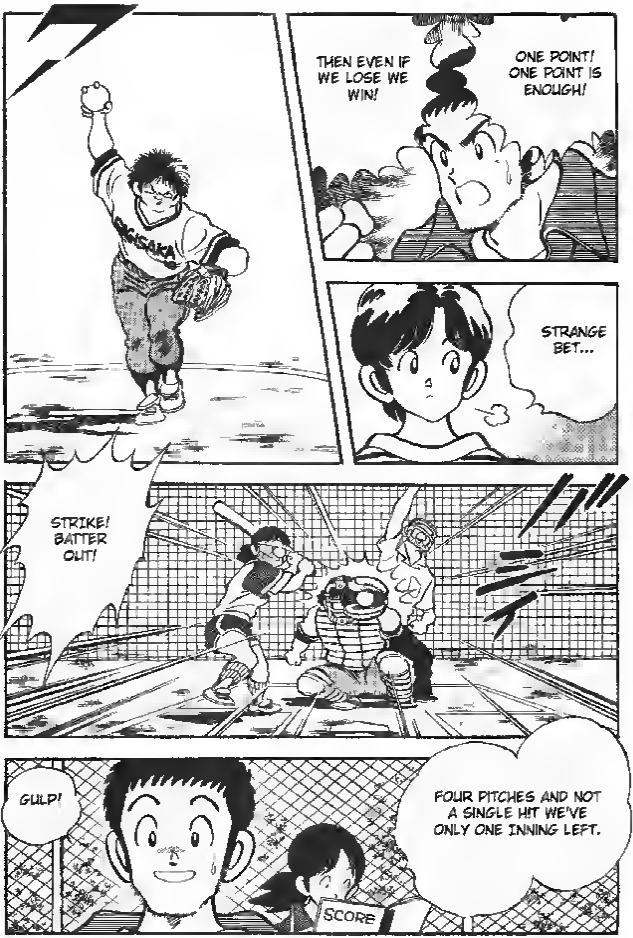
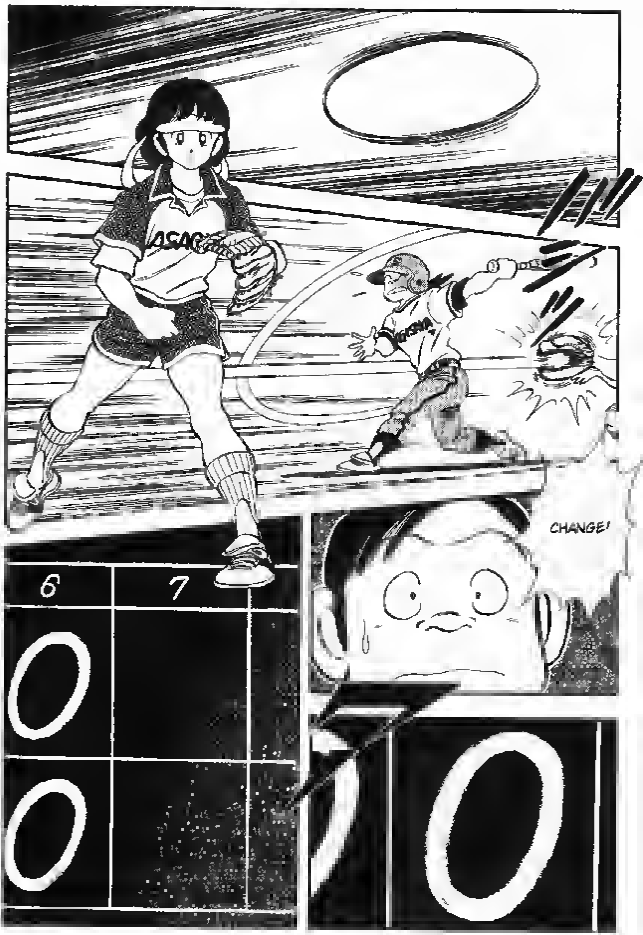

THEN EVEN IF WE LOSE WE WIN!
ONE POINT! ONE POINT IS ENOUGH!
STRANGE BET...
STRIKE! BATTER OUT!
GULP!
FOUR PITCHES AND NOT A SINGLE HIT WE'VE ONLY ONE INNING LEFT.
SCORE


CHANGE!
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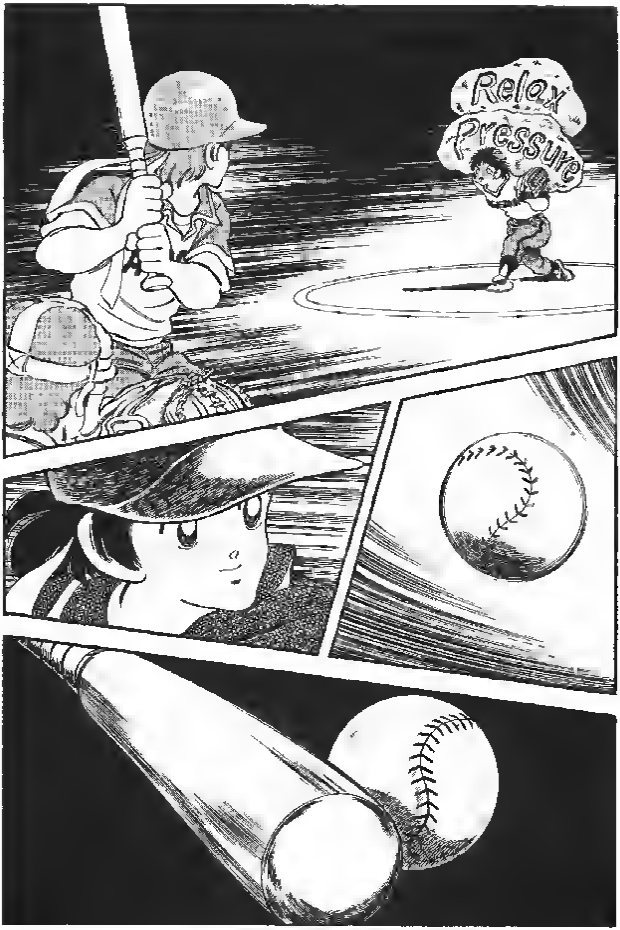
REMEMBER, NO POINT, NO DATE
TAKE ONE BASE AT LEAST!
I'M BEGGING YOU, SAWAMURA!
SUCH DETERMINATION!
YEAH!

ONE OUT, TWO ON BASE!
THE BALL IS FAIR!
BUNT...
DOMO
Pressure
ITS AN ORDER
HEY PITCHER! THEY MUST NOT HAVE THIS POINT! YOU HEAR ME?

HEH?
DEAD BALL!
WHO COULD HAVE TOLD SHE'D LOSE IT SO EASILY, WHEN LOOKING AT HER?
WHEN I JOINED THE CLUB, THE COACH TOLD ME THAT IF I BATTED LIKE THAT, IT'D REDUCE MY DISTANCE TO THE BASES.
SO WHY ARE YOU BATTING LIKE YOU'RE RIGHT HANDED?
THAT'S ODD... I ALWAYS THOUGHT YOU WERE LEFT HANDED... AREN'T YOU?
I AM...
HEY..
HUUUH? ARE YOU SURE I SAID THAT?

YESSSSSSSS! ONE OUT AND ALL BASES OCCUPIED! WE CAN DO IT! WE CAN WIN THE BET!
BALL FOUR!
OK THEN, DO YOU WANT ME TO REVERSE MY GRIP?
NAKAZATO, ONE POINT! ONE POINT AT LEAST, I'M BEGGING YOU!
Relax
Pressure
FORGIVE ME FOR GIVING YOU THIS ORDER-- RELAX RELAX!


Relax
Pressure

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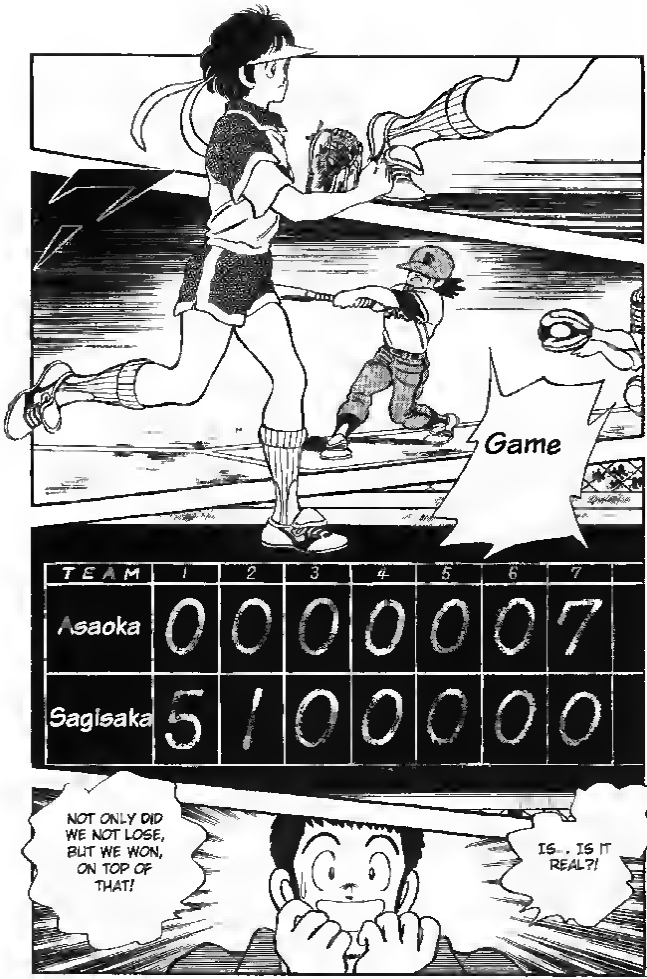
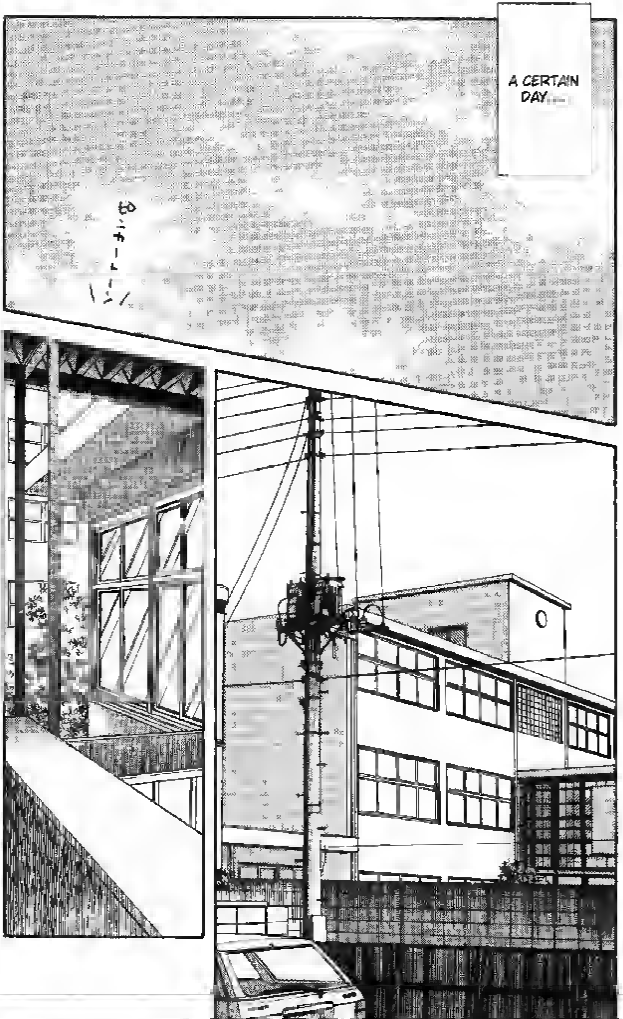

Game
TEAM 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Asaoka 0 0 0 0 0 0 7
Sagisaka 5 1 0 0 0 0 0
NOT ONLY DID WE NOT LOSE, BUT WE WON, ON TOP OF THAT!
IS.. IS IT REAL?!

YOU REALIZED, RIGHT, SEMPAI?
THIS WAS NOT MY BEST PITCHER
HE HE..
IT'S FOR REAL!
WE... WE WON!
WE WON!
I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET MY BEST PITCHER, CHIAKI KOMATSUOKA
SAGISAKA
COME ON, NOW WE'LL SHOW YOU OUR STRENGTH
HEH
SAY
HEH? FOR REAL?
WE WON!

CHAPTER 14
SIGN THE CONTRACT -PART 2-


A CERTAIN DAY...
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MILKPAN
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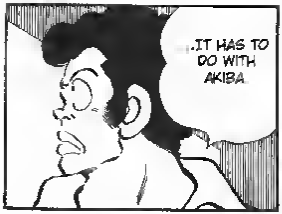
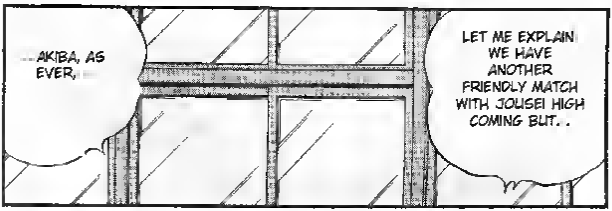
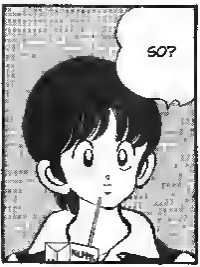
OH?
BITOU.
ERRR.
YOU ARE THE BOXING CLUB CAPTAIN..

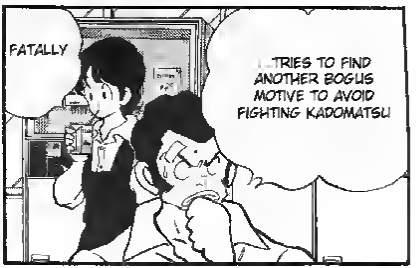

...IT HAS TO DO WITH AKIBA.

CAN I HELP YOU WITH SOME-THING?
WELL .

SHUU?

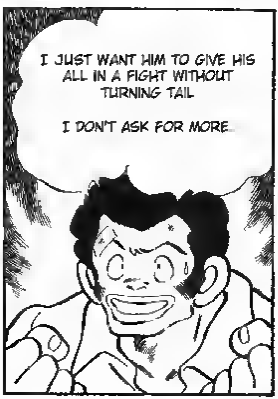

...AKIBA, AS EVER,
LET ME EXPLAIN WE HAVE ANOTHER FRIENDLY MATCH WITH JOUSEI HIGH COMING BUT. .


SO?

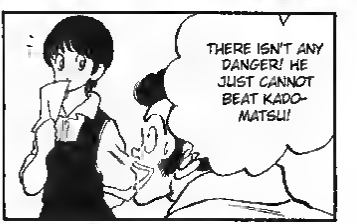

FATALLY
...TRIES TO FIND ANOTHER BOGUS MOTIVE TO AVOID FIGHTING KADOMATSU

"I, NAKAZATO MINATSU, HEREBY WARRANT TO KISS SHUU AKIBA IF HE MANAGES TO BEAT NAOTO KADOMATSU"
SO... COULD YOU SIGN THIS PLEASE?
SIGN THERE
YEAH RIGHT
ONLY WITH THE AUTHOR
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH OUR HIGH-SCHOOL
WHAT DO EVERYONE THINK SPORTS ARE, IN THIS HIGHSCHOOL?
AHH
I'M SCREWED!

WAIT A MINUTE
NOTHING ELSE COULD MAKE HIM FIGHT
PLEASE! I'M BEGGING YOU!


I JUST WANT HIM TO GIVE HIS ALL IN A FIGHT WITHOUT TURNING TAIL
I DON'T ASK FOR MORE...

EVEN IF YOU SAY THAT...


THERE ISN'T ANY DANGER! HE JUST CANNOT BEAT KADO-MATSU!

IT'S SAD TO SAY, BUT IT IS INDEED SO
ISN'T THERE REALLY ANY RISK INVOLVED?

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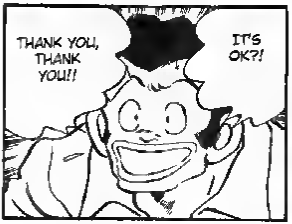
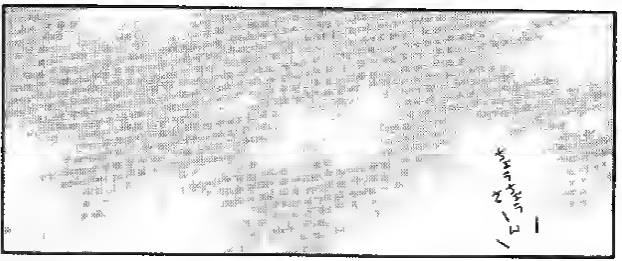
I'M IMPLORING YOU!
PLEASE!


IT'S OK?!
THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!

I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING YET.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TWO!
ONE!
IS IT REALLY SAFE?

BOXING CLUB
ボクシング
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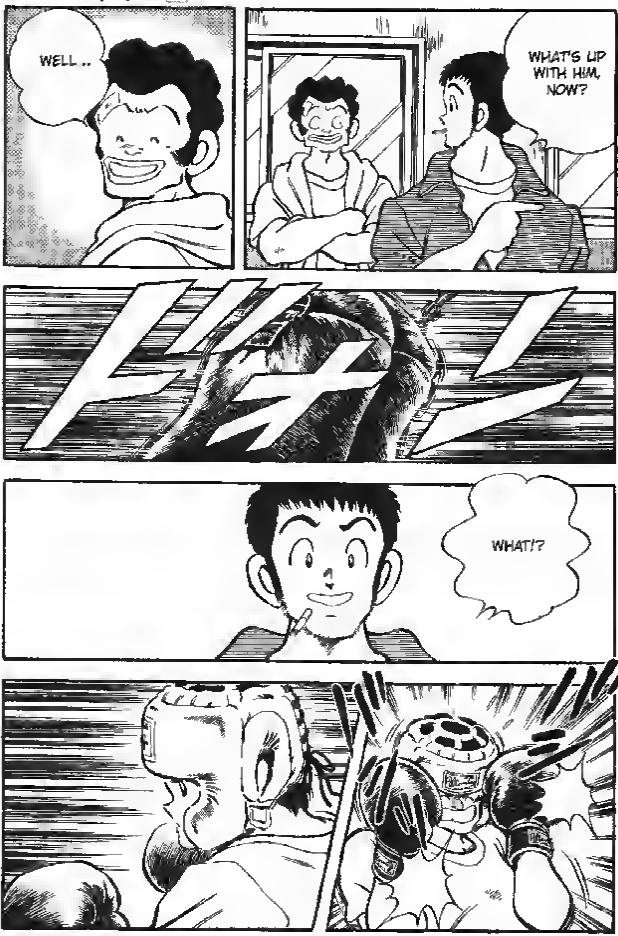
WELL ..
WHAT'S UP WITH HIM, NOW?
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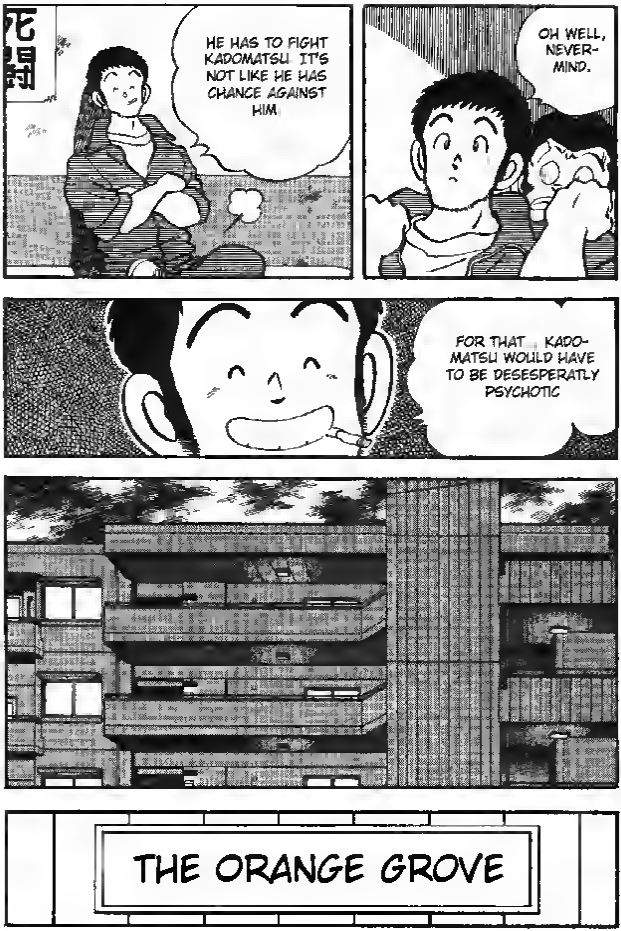
WHAT!?

YES, LIKE THIS!
GOOD! AGAIN, AKIBA!
LIFT YOU CHIN A BIT HIGHER!
CLOSE YOUR EYES!
LOWER YOU GUARD DON'T DODGE!
STOP MOVING!
ERRR, STOP IT, COACH!


HE HAS TO FIGHT KADOMATSU. IT'S NOT LIKE HE HAS CHANCE AGAINST HIM.
OH WELL, NEVER-MIND.
FOR THAT... KADO-MATSU WOULD HAVE TO BE DESESPERATLY PSYCHOTIC
THE ORANGE GROVE

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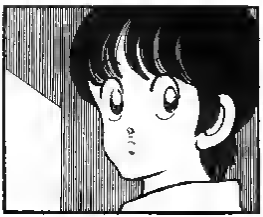
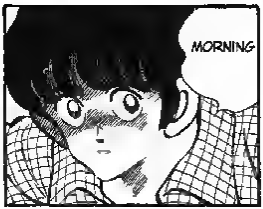
YOUR THINNER AND YOU DON'T LOOK SO GOOD.
WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOU?

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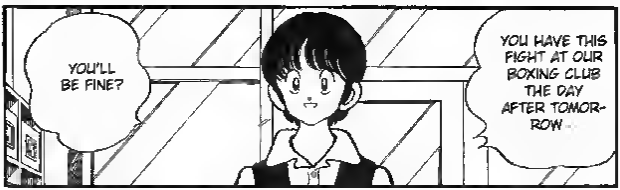
YOU'LL BE FINE?
YOU HAVE THIS FIGHT AT OUR BOXING CLUB THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW...

HEY.

A FIGHT? I DON'T CARE

HER...
HER?
I CAN'T FIND HER.
HER...
OH, RIGHT
I LOOKED EVERYWHERE
OH
REALLY?
I ASKED EVERYONE AROUND HERE, BUT NOBODY KNOWS HER

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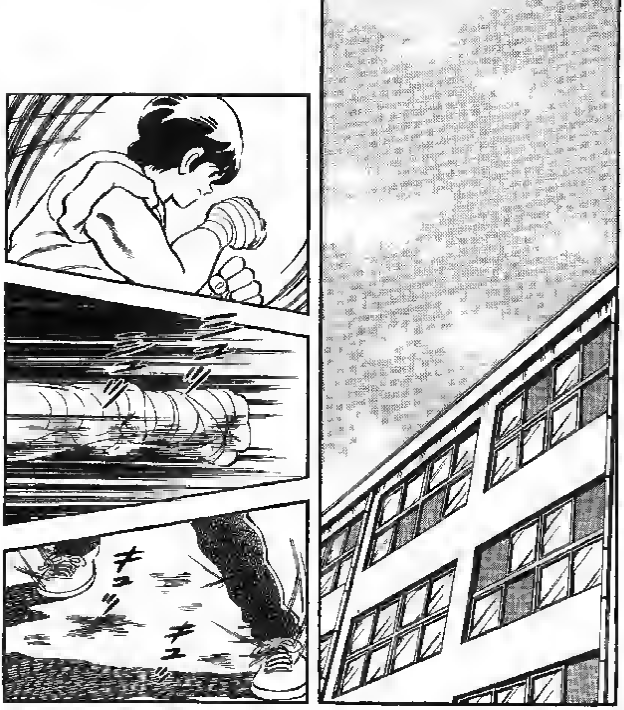
HEY!
ASAOKA HIGH SCHOOL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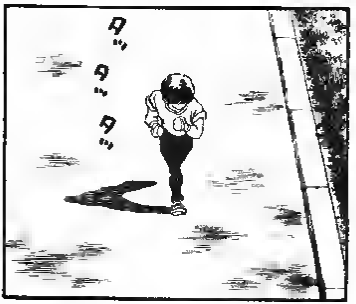
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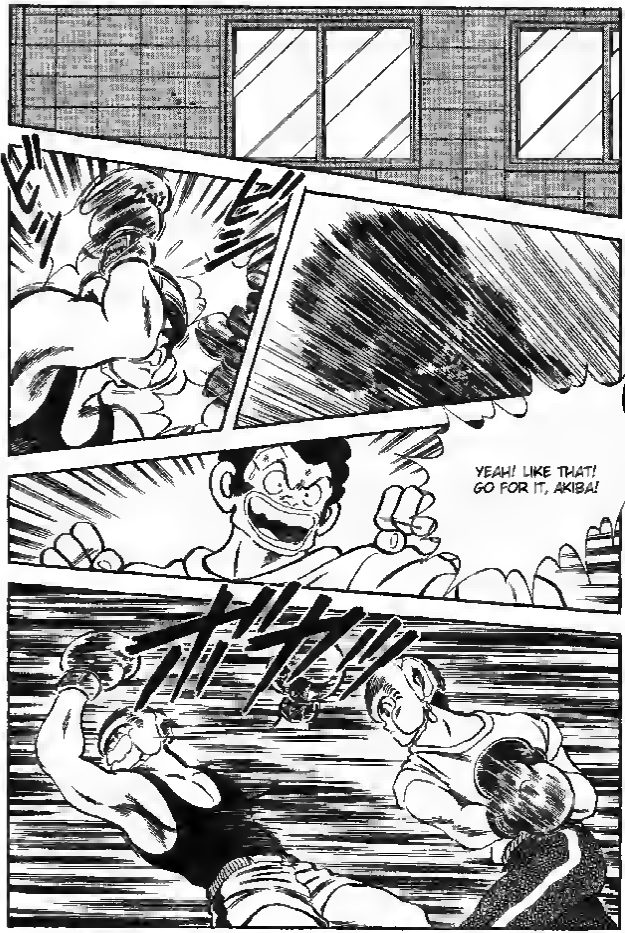
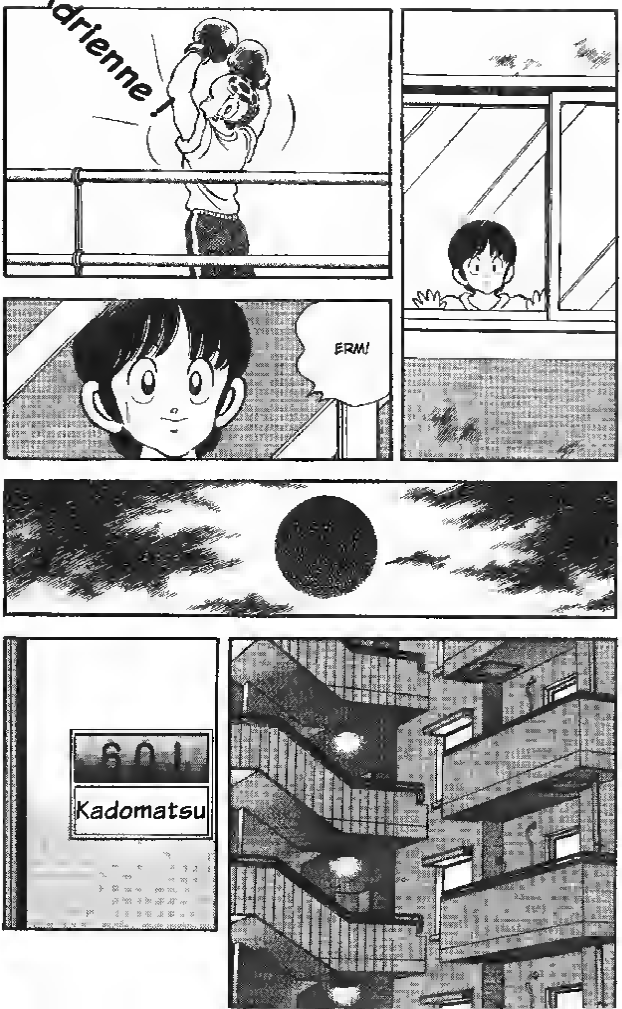

YEAH! LIKE THAT! GO FOR IT, AKIBA!


Adrienne!
ERM!
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Kadomatsu

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WHAT DO YOU WANT?
'EVENING
I KNOW HER
EH?
THE GIRL ... THE ONE OF YOUR PORTRAIT ..

I'LL MAKE YOU MEET HER AFTER TOMORROW'S MATCH
Y. YYES
R REALLY?!!
Adrienne !!

第15話
対決!!
THE FIGHT!!

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172 CM AND 62 KG
-SHUU AKIBA
SECOND YEAR AT ASAOKA HIGH BOXING CLUB

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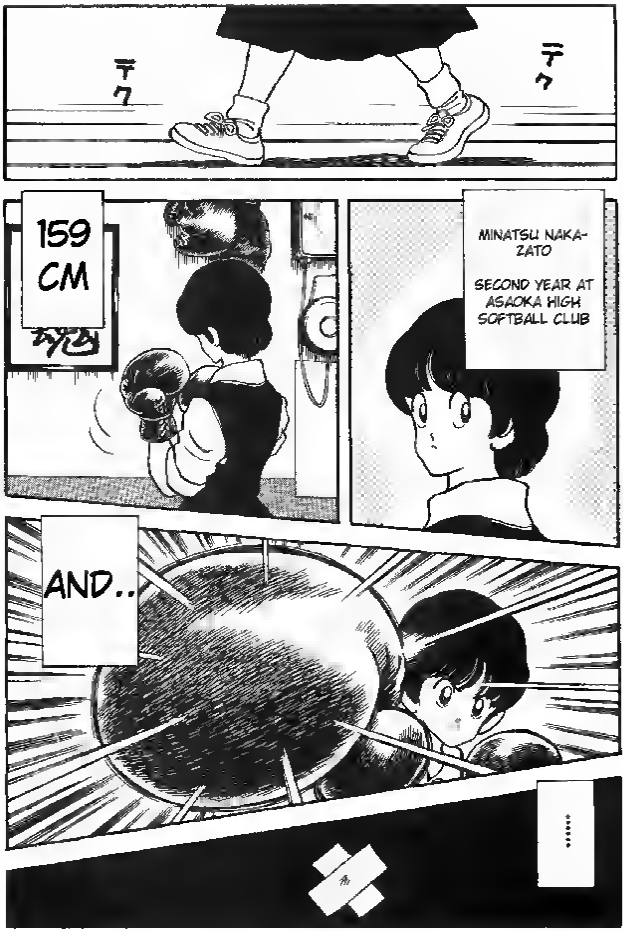
173CM AND 62KG
-NAOTO KADOMATSU
THIRD YEAR AT JOUSEI HIGH BOXING CLUB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159 CM
MINATSU NAKAZATO
SECOND YEAR AT ASAOKA HIGH SOFTBALL CLUB
AND..
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HEY!
SEE YOU SOON!
ASAOKA
MINATSU!
闘魂
根性
IDIOT...
...YOU REALLY KNOW HER?
SAY, ABOUT YESTERDAY...

LEAVE EVERY-THING TO ME
I SWEAR
YOU'RE STUB-BORN
WILL YOU REALLY PRESENT HER TO ME?
AH, NOTHING... IT'S NOT RELEVANT...
WHATS THAT ABOUT?
IF YOU ARE NOT INVOLVED WITH THE FIGHT, WATCH THROUGH THE WINDOWS.
NO! I CANNOT LET YOU ALL IN.
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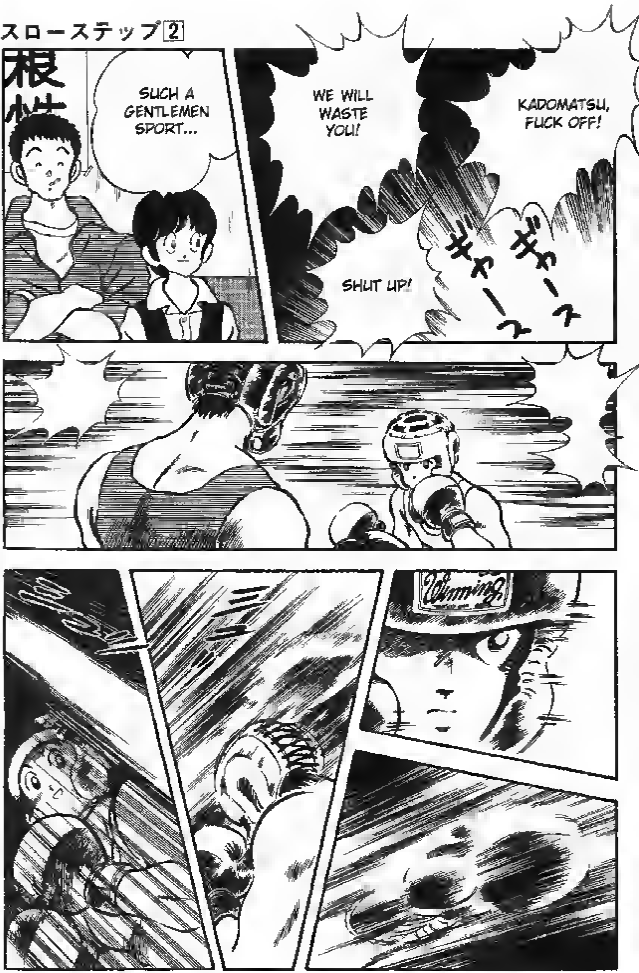
CAUSE I'M THE MOST IMPLICATED BY THIS FIGHT.
WHY COULD MINATSU GET INSIDE?
EH?

WHEN THE BELL RINGS, CLOSE YOUR EYES AND LIFT YOUR HEAD TOWARD THE CEILING!!
OK, CUT IT OUT.
THROW HIM YOUR BEST PUNCH.
THE THUNDER-BOLT HAMMER PUNCH!
BLAST HIM, KADO-MATSU!
GO, SHUU!


SUCH A GENTLEMEN SPORT...
WE WILL WASTE YOU!
KADOMATSU, FUCK OFF!
SHUT UP!
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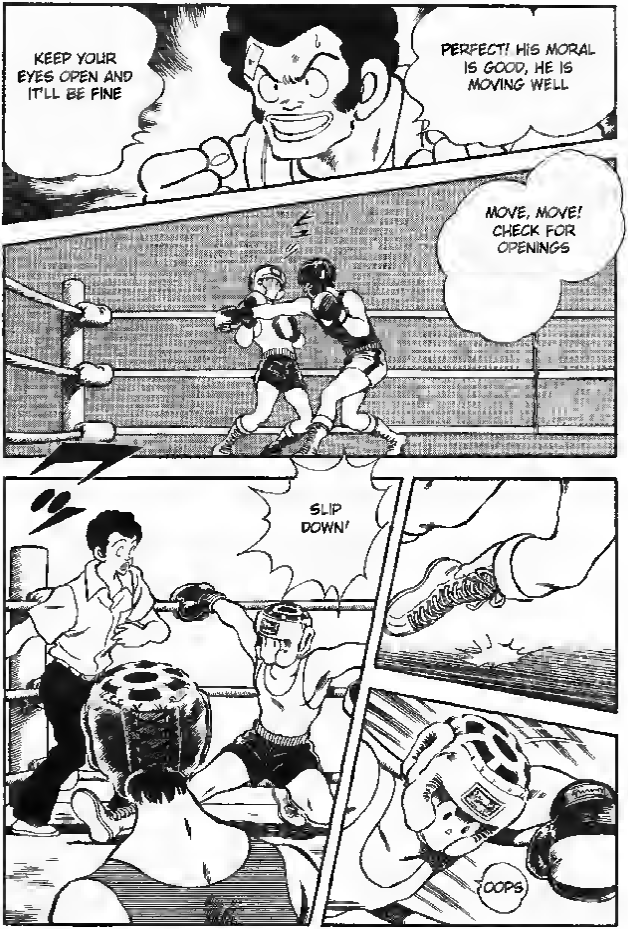
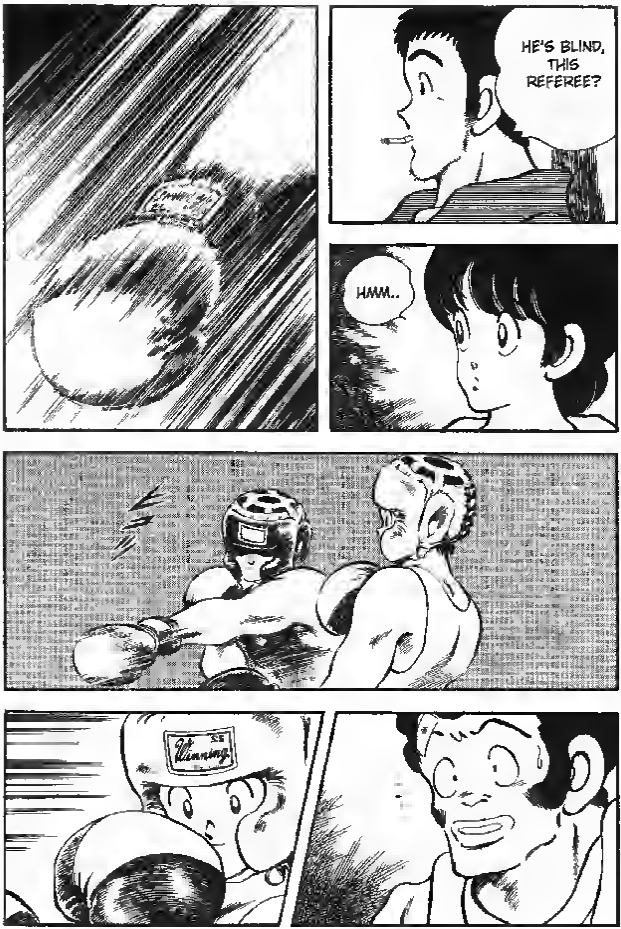
Winning


KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN AND IT'LL BE FINE
PERFECT! HIS MORAL IS GOOD, HE IS MOVING WELL
MOVE, MOVE! CHECK FOR OPENINGS
SLIP DOWN!
OOPS


HE'S BLIND, THIS REFEREE?
HMM..
Winning

SS Winning
TOKYOH-1600
AKIBA!! DON'T STOP! USE YOUR LEGS!
WHAT?
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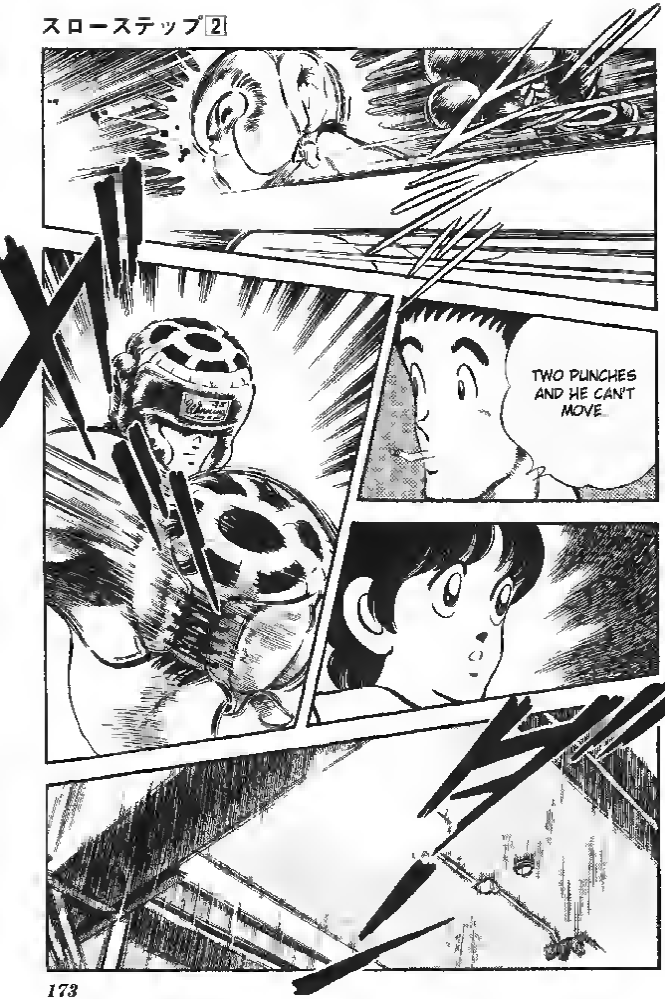
TWO PUNCHES AND HE CAN'T MOVE...

ONE!
TWO!
THREE!
WAH!!
YEP, JUST LIKE YOU SAID.
IT DIDN'T TAKE MUCH TIME.
IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO WIN.
WHAT DID I SAY.
HE IS COMPLETELY TOO STRONG

SIX!
HMM
SO, EVEN IF HE HAD BEEN PSY-CHOTIC...
AHHHH!!
EI...GHT
SEVEN!
OHHH!!!

STOP NOW, DON'T TRY FOR THE IMPOSSIBLE
YOU FOUGHT WELL, AKIBA.
HE'S A MONSTER
QUIT THE FIGHT

WHAT?
IT WAS WRITTEN FROM THE START
IT'S NECESSARY FOR A GOOD SCENARIO
YOU HAVE TO MAINTAIN THE SUSPENSE TO THE END FOR THE READERS

Winning
TOMOHIRO

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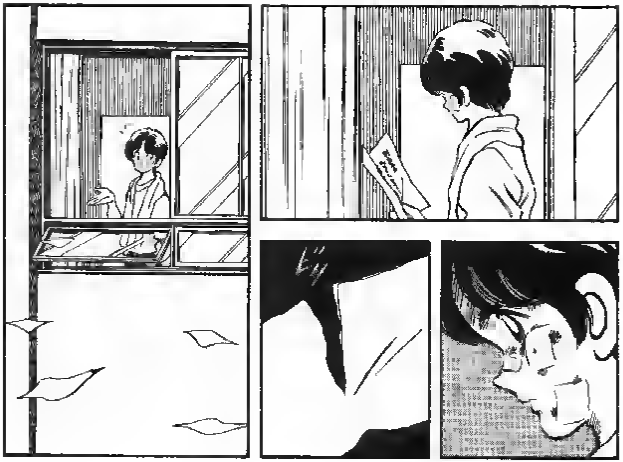
WOW! YOU IMPRESSED ME
DID YOU SEE? DID YOU SEE KADOMATSU'S EXPRESSION AT THIS MOMENT?
HE DIDN'T BELIEVE IT ALL OF A SUDDEN.
HE WAS STUNNED!

NOT MANY PEOPLE COULD CONNECT SUCH A BEAUTIFUL PUNCH AT KADOMATSU
BUT IT WAS THE ONLY ONE I LANDED.
..IT DOES NOT MATTER
SO EVEN IF HE KNOCKED YOU OUT AFTER..
WELL THEN
REST A BIT MORE
パタン



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